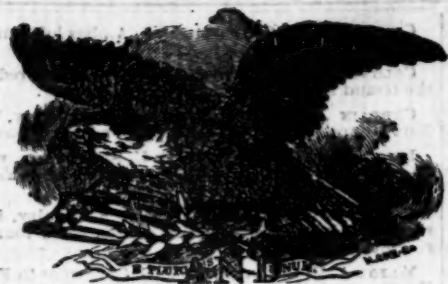


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We give this week an index of the last fifty-seven numbers of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, which are to be included in the twenty-fifth volume. This completes the quarter century of the JOURNAL's history and we shall next week have something to say about the celebration of the silver anniversary of our association with the military services. It has been an eventful quarter of a century—commencing in the midst of our greatest war and ending at a period when the nation is gathering, for North and South alike, the ripened fruit of the patriotic effort and sacrifice of its soldiers and sailors. We would that we might add that it was gathering with equal solicitude the fruit of that experience in the conduct of military affairs which was gained at such great cost. Then we should be spared the spectacle of neglect by Congress to provide the necessary appropriations for its military establishment while a cloud of ominous suggestion gathers in the heavens—not less to be noted because it appears in the beginning no bigger than a man's hand.

SEVERAL of the officers of the new detail for a tour at the Artillery School have arrived at Fort Monroe, and they will all report for duty to General Tidball on Saturday of next week, September 1.

BOTH Houses having agreed to the report of the Conference Committee on the Naval Appropriation bill, that measure is now in the hands of the engrossing clerks and at the end of the week will reach the President for signature. The important features of the bill were published in detail in last week's issue of the JOURNAL.

THE bill to increase the number of college details was under consideration again in the House this week, but the debate that ensued did not seem to improve its chances for early passage. Mr. Townsend says, however, that he will keep at it until action of some kind is reached. The War Department is quite anxious to have the bill disposed of as soon as possible, in order that the several vacant details, which are hung up in consequence of the uncertain prospects of the bill, may be filled.

SENATOR DAVIS, who has charge of the 20 years' service Army promotion bill, says he will take advantage of the first favorable opportunity that presents itself of calling that measure up for action. He has been watching for this chance for some weeks, but the continued presence of the several Senators who are known to be antagonistic to the measure has deterred him from making a move. He is quite hopeful, however, of securing the passage of the bill in some shape before the present session closes.

OWING to the absence of Senator Cameron, one of the Senate conferees on the bill to retire Alfred Pleasanton, no meeting of the conference committee on that measure has yet been held. It is pretty safe to assume, however, that the committee when it does meet will adopt the Senate amendment, providing for his retirement with the rank of major, instead of colonel, as proposed by the House. The infallible rule of the Senate in restoration now, is to give the beneficiary only the actual rank held when last in the Service, and unless the House conferees consent to follow out this policy, the bill will fail altogether. This rule was laid down in the Ayerill

case, and it is the unanimous opinion of the Senate Military Committee that it should be strictly adhered to.

It is understood that an opinion will shortly be asked of the Attorney-General, by the War Department, as to whether or not the following act in regard to the appointment of the senior aide to the major general, commanding, is still in force: "That the senior aide-de-camp of the major-general commanding the Army may be taken from the captains or majors of the Army and shall be allowed the pay and emoluments of major of cavalry." This act was passed September 26, 1850. It has not been repealed by any direct law and no portion of it is embodied in the Revised Statutes. The question to be decided, therefore, is as to whether or not the law becomes obsolete and inoperative by reason of the enactment of the subsequent laws relating to the appointment of aides to the General and Lieutenant-general.

THE retirement of the Senior Inspector General of the Army, Absalom Baird, on Monday of this week, was closely followed the same day by the nomination to that position of Colonel Roger Jones, Inspector General, for some years past on duty at the Headquarters Division of the Atlantic. General Jones was at once summoned to Washington, and left Governor's Island on Wednesday. We referred last week to the fitness of the new incumbent, for the responsible duties to which he has been called. He possesses all the military qualities so necessary for a thorough Inspector General, and he is remarkable for his conscientiousness even in the minutest particular. President Cleveland has done well in this appointment, and we congratulate the Army upon it the more emphatically because we happen to have a personal knowledge of the entire fitness of General Jones to be the head of this—one of the most responsible departments of the Army.

It is not likely that there will be any further meetings of either of the Service committees during the remainder of the session unless the Senate Military and Naval Committees should come together occasionally for action on nominations that may be sent in from time to time. Neither of these committees have transacted any business of importance for weeks past. It was with the greatest difficulty that a quorum of the Senate Military Committee was secured this week for the purpose of acting upon the nominations of Colonel Roger Jones, to be Inspector-General, and of General Averill, to be Captain on the retired list of the Army. The nomination of Captain Schley to be Chief of the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting and several other Naval nominations are hanging up because of the difficulty in getting a sufficient number of the members of the Naval Committee together to form a quorum.

THE next retirement for age is that of Brevet Major-General Marcus D. L. Simpson, Colonel and Assistant Commissary-General of Subsistence, U. S. A., which takes place on Tuesday next, August 28. General Simpson, a native of New York, was graduated from West Point in 1846, and promoted to the artillery arm of the Service, and took an active part in the Mexican War, receiving the brevets of 1st Lieutenant and Captain for his gallantry at Contreras, Churubusco and Chapultepec. In 1853, he was appointed Commissary of Subsistence, with rank of Captain, and has remained in the Subsistence Department ever since, attaining his present

grade June 23, 1874. His services during the War of the Rebellion were highly meritorious, gaining for him the brevets of Colonel, Brigadier-General and Major-General. General Simpson in all his public transactions is a most painstaking and conscientious officer, and in private life a courteous and unassuming gentleman.

GENERAL HAWLEY has not as yet carried out the instructions of the Senate Military Committee with regard to the preparation of a bill clothing the Major General, commanding, with full power to act in all cases where the statutes refer in express terms to the General and Lieutenant General. He expects to frame the bill, however, this week, but will not present it in the Senate until he has submitted it to Major General Schofield for his views. The main object of the proposed measure is to make all provisions of existing laws wherein the General and Lieutenant General are expressly referred to, applicable to Major General Schofield with the exception—strange and unreasonable as it may seem—of such provisions as would confer upon him the rank, pay or emoluments of either of those grades. It is proposed to give him the benefit of the clause in the pending appropriation providing for the stenographer intended for General Sheridan, but this is the only emolument the committee contemplate allowing him.

THE cause of the revocation of the orders detailing 1st Lieutenants Charles A. L. Totten and Alex. B. Dyer, 4th Artillery, and Benjamin H. Randolph, 3d Artillery, to duty in connection with the Connecticut National Guard, is thus explained: The Governor of Connecticut in making application for the detail of these officers, desired that they should receive their orders from the commanding officer of the State militia as to the manner of instructing and inspecting the troops. The details were promptly made, but when the Governor of Connecticut received copies of the orders he found that the officers were assigned "under instructions from the Adjutant-General of the Army." He objected to this method of detail and at once wrote the Department requesting that the orders be revoked. With equal promptness by the War Department the request was complied with, and this is why there will be no reports from officers of the Regular Army on the Connecticut National Guard encampment, which began on Monday last.

THE Illustrated News contains a spirited sketch, by an eye-witness, of the duel between Boulanger and M. Floquet, which Broad Arrow commends to the attention of all officers of the English Army who take any pride in their weapon—the sword. The artist evidently understands the manipulation of the rapier as well as the pencil, and has placed the combatants in a natural and correct position, indicating to the eye of a swordsman one of the causes which led to Boulanger's discomfiture. General Boulanger has evidently been more accustomed to the *escrime au sabre* (cut and point) than to the *escrime à la pointe* (small sword or rapier). From the engagement of *prime*, equivalent to our "hanging guard" (the abomination and horror of all believers in the rapier) the general is in the act of lunging at his adversary in *prime*. M. Floquet, instead of parrying the thrust, (which, we can see, is rather wide of the mark) by a simple extension in *carte*, achieves a "very palpable hit," which Boulanger receives in the throat.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

GENERAL ABNER DOUBLEDAY, U. S. A., and son are at Narragansett.

MAJOR F. S. DODGE, paymaster, U. S. A., left New York on Monday on a week's vacation.

LIEUTENANT C. R. TYLER, 16th Inf., of Fort Du Chesne, Utah, is East on a two months' leave.

LIEUTENANT C. A. L. TOTTER, 4th U. S. Art., left Fort Adams, R. I., on Saturday last, on a week's leave.

COLONEL THOS. F. BARR, U. S. A., left Chicago this week, to be absent until about the middle of September.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL A. K. SMITH, Surgeon, returned to New York City this week from a short vacation.

LIEUTENANT JOHN BIGELOW, JR., 10th U. S. Cav., will return to Washington next week from a short vacation.

LIEUTENANT B. ALVORD, 20th U. S. Infantry, and Mrs. Alvord left Fort Leavenworth this week for West Point.

LIEUTENANT W. C. WREN, 10th U. S. Inf., will leave Fort Union, N. M., next week on an eight weeks' vacation.

LIEUTENANT H. R. ADAMS, 25th U. S. Infantry, of Fort Missoula, will leave the service Sept. 1 to engage in civil pursuits.

COLONEL D. L. MAGRUDER, surgeon, U. S. A., of Philadelphia, is spending a short leave at the Grand Hotel in the Catskills.

CAPTAIN W. A. THOMPSON, 4th U. S. Cavalry, has had a pleasant visit to Los Angeles, Cal., called there for duty as recorder of a retiring board.

LIEUTENANT A. CRONKITE, 4th U. S. Art., was expected to rejoin at Fort Trumbull, Conn., the latter part of this week from a short leave.

LIEUTENANT C. G. DWYER, 21st U. S. Infantry, lately at Omaha engaged in rifle practice, has gone to Strawberry Valley, Utah, for camp service.

ASSISTANT SURGEON CHAS. B. EWING, U. S. A., has arrived at Washington Barracks, D. C., for duty as assistant to Major W. H. Gardner, the post surgeon.

LIEUTENANT J. D. C. HOKINS, 3d Artillery, has relinquished duty at Washington Barracks, D. C., and reports for duty at West Point on Tuesday next.

MAJOR JAMES W. SOULLY, U. S. A., depot quartermaster, New Orleans, was to leave that city the latter part of this week on a short visit to Atlanta, Ga.

CAPTAIN C. A. BYRNE, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., relinquished duty at Washington Barracks, D. C., Aug. 18, and has gone to duty at Fort McHenry, Maryland.

CAPTAIN E. A. GODWIN, 8th U. S. Cavalry, on relinquishing duty on the recruiting service, Sept. 1, will take a month's leave and then join his troop at Fort Meade, Dak.

LIEUTENANTS J. A. EMERY, R. L. Hirst and W. Weigel, 11th U. S. Infantry, arrived at Fort Niagara, N. Y., early in the week for duty there, with troops, during the rifle competitions.

MAJOR WALLACE F. RANDOLPH, 3d U. S. Artillery, left Governor's Island on Sunday for Fort Niagara, N. Y., to supervise the Division Atlantic and Department East rifle competitions.

LIEUTENANT JOHN CONKLIN, 2d U. S. Artillery, bade good-bye to friends at Camp Monte Sano, Huntsville, Ala., early in the week and started East to report for duty at Fort Monroe, Va., on Sept. 1.

LIEUTENANT W. C. LANGFLET, Corps of Engineers, after a pleasant tour of duty at Gen. Gibbon's headquarters at Vancouver Bks., will shortly report at Galveston, Texas, for duty under Major Oswald H. Ernst.

LIEUTENANT G. W. S. STEVENS, 5th U. S. Artillery, rejoined at Fort Schuyler, N. Y. H., early in the week from Fisher's Island, and will leave next week for Fort Monroe, Va., for a tour at the artillery school.

LIEUTENANT J. D. BARRETT, 3d U. S. Artillery, left Fort Monroe, Va., early in the week for Washington Bks., and after a short stay there left for Fort Niagara, N. Y., to take part in the rifle competitions.

THE Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, ex-Secretary of War, and his daughter, Miss Mary Lincoln, were among the passengers who arrived in New York on Saturday last on the steamship *Aurania*. Mr. Lincoln appeared in the best of health and spirits.

LIEUTENANT M. C. RICHARDS, 2d U. S. Artillery, after a pleasant tour at the Agricultural College at Auburn, Ala., goes on leave for six months for the benefit of his health. His place at the college will be taken by Lieut. J. B. McDonald, 10th Cavalry, of Fort Grant, Ariz.

MAJOR GENERAL J. M. SCHOFIELD, U. S. A., accompanied by Lieuts. Sawyer and Pitcher, aides de camp, returned to Governor's Island on Saturday last, and attended to a quantity of unfinished business, early in the week. The General returned to Washington the latter part of this week.

COLONEL CHARLES SUTHERLAND, U. S. A., of Maj. Geo. Schofield's staff, has gone to Michigan and Northern New York to inspect the medical department at the posts in that section. Lieut.-Col. Anthony Heger has taken charge of the medical director's office on Governor's Island during his absence.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL ABRAHAM BAIRD, senior Inspector General of the Army, was duly retired for age on Monday, Aug. 20, and Col. John S. Mason, 9th U. S. Infantry, on Tuesday, Aug. 21. We referred to these retirements last week and expressed the universal opinion as to the distinguished services, etc., of these two veteran officers.

GENERAL H. H. GRIERSON, U. S. A., has left Santa Fe, N. M., on a month's leave.

COLONEL M. V. SHERIDAN, U. S. A., registered at the Grand Hotel, New York, on Wednesday.

CAPTAIN J. M. K. DAVIS, 1st U. S. Artillery, left Fort Monroe, Va., on Wednesday on a week's leave.

LIEUTENANT O. B. WOOD, 5th U. S. Artillery, who is spending a leave in Vermont, visited New York this week.

CAPTAIN G. D. WALLACE, 7th U. S. Cavalry, is a recent addition to Jefferson Bks., Mo., for a tour of recruiting duty.

MAJOR A. R. CHAFFEE, 9th U. S. Cav., goes to Fort Du Chesne, instead of Fort Niobrara, for his new station on promotion.

MAJOR J. W. REILLY, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., with his family, left Augusta Arsenal, Ga., Aug. 23, for a month's vacation at Fort Monroe and Philadelphia.

CAPTAIN F. A. WHITNEY, 8th U. S. Inf., of Fort Niobrara, is expected to spend a portion of the coming winter in San Francisco, where Mrs. Whitney is now visiting.

THE San Antonio *Times* says it is authentically understood in Army circles that Capt. John G. Ballance, Acting Judge Advocate of the Department of Texas, will be promoted to major and judge advocate.

COLONEL G. L. GILLESPIE, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., registered at the Victoria Hotel, New York City, on Monday. He and his family, lately at Manchester-by-the-Sea, intend to spend a short season at the Profile House, White Mountains.

LIEUTENANT HAYDEN DELANY, 9th Inf., is very ill at Long Beach, Cal. His wife is with him, she having recently recovered from a severe illness. Both had to be carried on their beds on the backs of Indians from their late post, Fort Mojave, Ariz. Lieut. Delany has had several hemorrhages, but at last accounts was somewhat better.

LIEUTENANT G. A. ZINN, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, is expected at Willet's Point, N. Y. H., next week, to enter upon duty as quartermaster of the Engineer Battalion, in place of Lieut. Irving Hale, C. E., who goes to West Point for duty. Lt. Hale is now at Fort Niagara as a representative of the Engineer Battalion at the Division rifle competitions.

In the "Memories of some Contemporaries," which the Hon. Hugh McCulloch will contribute to "Scribner's Magazine" for September, he will give an estimate of Ex-President Andrew Johnson, founded on his intimate personal relations with him, which is entirely different from the popular conception of his character. Mr. McCulloch believes that "No public man in the United States has been so imperfectly understood as Andrew Johnson."

MISS GOODFELLOW, daughter of the late Major Goodfellow, Judge Advocate, U. S. Army, who has been visiting Col. H. P. Curtis's family on Governor's Island for a month past, returned to Washington on Monday. Her proficiency in lawn tennis alarmed all the experts on the island, and her charms of manner and appearance have left a permanent impression on its society. Miss Carrie Harold, of Washington, arrived some few days since on a visit to the same family. Her stay of last summer is remembered by many island neighbors and her reappearance is regarded with unalloyed pleasure.

THE *Herald*, referring to the crowds of pleasure seekers in the vicinity of New York on Sunday, says: "Fort Hamilton, Long Island, is growing in favor as a pleasure resort. This year Col. Piper, U. S. A., in command, has been compelled to double his sentries in order to keep Sunday crowds off the parapets, and a force of 21 policemen under Justice Church is required to see that law and order are respected. A large portion of the population is made up of Army officers and their families stationed at the fort. When they first observed a future Coney Island growing up in their midst they attempted to resist the innovation, but they failed in their efforts, and have now become reconciled and will endure as best they can the perpetual show."

THE *Herald*, in a retrospect of what was done this year at the State camp at Peekskill, N. Y., says: "Perhaps the most notable of the new features at the camp this year was Gen. Porter's introduction of instructors from the Regular Army. Besides Gen. R. H. Jackson, who was detailed to make a report to the War Department, Lieut. Hamilton, 5th Art., and Lieut. Benham, 2d Inf., were stationed there to give instruction. Their presence undoubtedly did a great deal toward promoting the efficiency of the camp. They displayed a great deal of tact and consideration in their methods and fully realized that they had a delicate task before them and went at it carefully. As a result the troops made a great deal of progress, and it is safe to say that nobody left the camp feeling hurt at any seeming over-officiousness on the part of the instructors."

THE *Vancouver Independent* of Aug. 15 says:

Gen. Graham, 1st Art., who has been visiting Dr. Norris, has returned to the Presidio. ... Capt. G. S. Carpenter, 14th Inf., has returned to Fort Klamath. ... Lieut. L. P. Brant, 1st Inf., a Vancouver representative in the Army, is at the barracks, on duty with the California department rifle team. ... Major John A. Kress, Ordnance Corps, and his son, Ensign Fred. Kress, U. S. N., are at the garrison, guests of Paymaster Muhlenberg. ... A party has gone to Mount Hood to establish heliographic communication. ... The officers of Vancouver Barracks gave a reception last evening, at the garrison assembly hall, to the officers from other stations in connection with the rifle contests.

THE Springfield (Ill.) *Register* says:

Capt. James Halloran, 18th U. S. Infantry, inspector at Camp Lincoln this year, and family, left Aug. 3 for Bloomington, where they will visit Capt. Halloran's brother, John Halloran, until Aug. 11, when they will leave via St. Paul for Fort Abraham Lincoln. Gen. Vance, Col. Ewers and many other friends were at the station to bid the captain and his family farewell. He has proved himself a genial gentleman, an efficient officer, and an excellent and thorough instructor. In social life he and his estimable wife have become favorites, and his departure is greatly regretted by all who know him. The officers and men of the Illinois N. G. were so well pleased with Capt. Halloran that serious pressure will be brought to bear on the War Department to have him appointed post inspector at Camp Lincoln next year.

CAPTAIN F. E. TROTTER, 14th Infantry, left David's Island, N. Y., this week for Hot Springs, Ark.

CAPTAIN L. H. RUCKER, 9th Cavalry, has reported at Jefferson Barracks from Fort Du Chesne, Utah.

1st LIEUTENANT H. D. REED, 25th Infantry, on leave from Fort Missoula, Mont., is at Kingston, Mass.

COLONEL TILFORD, 7th Cavalry, assumed command of Fort Sill on Aug. 14, having arrived with his troops after a long march of 75 days, from Fort Meade, Dak.

MRS. LIVINGSTON, wife of Lieut.-Col. L. L. Livingston, 3d U. S. Art., and her daughter, Miss Gertrude Livingston, of Fort McHenry, are visiting relatives at Patchogue, L. I.

THE death of the wife of Gen. C. K. Graham is announced this week; also the death of the sister of Col. Chas. Trelohel. Both of these gentlemen are well known to the Army.

THE bill to pension the widow of Gen. Sheridan was reported from the Senate Committee on Pensions, Aug. 22, with an amendment reducing the amount from \$5,000 to \$3,500.

LIEUTENANT F. O. JOHNSON, 3d U. S. Cavalry, has been appointed regimental quartermaster, to date Sept. 1, in succession to Lieut. F. H. Hardie, who has held the position since November, 1884.

LIEUTENANT C. G. STARR, 1st U. S. Infantry, has been appointed regimental quartermaster to Colonel Shafter, in succession to Lieut. L. H. Strother. Lieut. Starr was graduated from West Point in 1873.

LIEUTENANT SAMUEL RODMAN, 1st U. S. Artillery, left Fort Monroe this week on a short leave, at the expiration of which he is expected at Newport, R. I., for a tour of duty at the Naval Torpedo School.

GENERAL H. R. MIENER, Colonel, 17th U. S. Inf., who reached his sixty-first birthday Aug. 1, signified the occasion by a reception at Fort D. A. Russell, which is described as a charming affair.

CHARLES MORRIS BLAKE, Chaplain, U. S. A., (retired), and his charming wife, says the *Alta*, have returned from their bridal tour, and are at No. 1504 California street, where Mrs. Blake receives on Thursdays.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL W. F. DRUM, 12th U. S. Inf., having entered upon duty at St. Paul as Acting Inspector General, Dept. of Dakota, the *Pioneer Press* gives him a cordial welcome and at the same time takes occasion to advert to his distinguished military service.

LIEUTENANT A. L. WAGNER, 6th Infantry, has returned to the United States from an European trip and is now at Wilkesburg, Pa., spending the remainder of his leave. He is due at Fort Leavenworth on August 28.

LIEUTENANT ROBERT W. DOWDY, 17th U. S. Infantry, left New York, Aug. 22, on the Royal Netherlands mail steamer *Schiedam*, en route to Carlsbad, Bohemia, Austria, where he expects to remain for five or six months if, as is hoped, he finds his health improving there.

AT the summer camp of D. R. P. Mott Post 527, G. A. R., at Freeport, L. I., on Aug. 15, Gen. Horatio C. King gave an account of his personal recollections of Gen. Sheridan and the campaign of the Shenandoah Valley at the battle of Five Forks. There was a very large attendance.

MRS. VERLING K. HART, widow of the late Major Hart, formerly the commander of the military post of Fort McKinney, is in the city and registered at the Inter-Ocean, says the *Cheyenne Leader*. Mrs. Hart is a resident of Buffalo, where she has lived ever since the death of her husband in 1883.

MISS LILLIE MAUS, sister of Lieut. M. P. Maus, 1st U. S. Inf., and Capt. L. M. Maus, Asst. Surg., U. S. Army, is to be married at Rockville, Md., on Tuesday next to Mr. Allen of Washington, D. C. On the same evening Mr. and Mrs. Maus, the father and mother of the bride will celebrate their golden wedding.

CHAPLAIN C. C. PIERCE, U. S. A., lately appointed and at present residing at Germantown, Pa., will on Oct. 1 sever his pastoral connection with the 3d Baptist Church of Philadelphia. As a result of his labors a magnificent church edifice is nearing completion. For building purposes he has collected over \$45,000 in the last three years.

THE Baltimore *American* tells of Gen. Sheridan's first interview with Mrs. Darrar, the artist who painted the excellent portrait of the General, which, by George W. Childs's generosity, is to ornament the Military Academy at West Point. After some little preliminary conversation, in which he gallantly assured her of his deep pleasure at being painted by her, the General turned to her suddenly: "I have been painted by a number of artists of different countries," said he, "and I have found that in each portrait there is a distinct trace of the artist's nationality. I was painted in Mexico, and the artist made me look like Santa Anna. A French painter made me look Napoleonesque. A German professor made the portrait a pretty good picture of Kaiser Wilhelm, without his side whiskers. You are a woman. Now all I ask of you, Mrs. Darrar," he concluded, earnestly, "is this: Don't make me a woman."

MAJOR GEN. SCHOFIELD, who returned to New York on Saturday last, is quoted by the *Tribune* as saying with reference to his present dual command:

I believe I shall be perfectly able to perform the double duty without the slightest inconvenience to the service or to myself. Communication between Washington and Governor's Island is provided for by telegraph, and by this means my orders will be transmitted to and from each place. I shall go to Washington often, but, of course, my home will be here. No one besides my adjutant, Gen. Whipple, will be placed in charge here during my absence at Washington. Every department of duty in the two places will remain under my own personal supervision. As to the make up of the staff, or general arrangements of work, I believe no change is at present in contemplation, nor do I believe there will be the slightest necessity for any alterations. Of course, it is impossible for me to say how long I shall retain the double command, that being entirely in the hands of the President. My duty is not to ask questions, but to obey orders.

CAPTAIN O. W. BUDD, 4th Cavalry, has arrived at Milwaukee, Wis., and assumed charge of the recruiting station there.

COLONEL E. P. VOLLUM, Surgeon, U. S. Army, at present in Europe with his family, has had his leave extended one month.

LIEUTENANT L. F. DODDS, 9th U. S. Inf., returned to West Point, N. Y., this week from a pleasant trip to Fort Leavenworth.

GENERAL MACFEELEY, U. S. A., is Acting Secretary of War during the absence of Secretary Endicott, who is at Salem, Mass.

LIEUTENANT W. F. STEWART, 4th U. S. Artillery, rejoined at Fort Warren, Mass., on Friday of this week from a short leave.

CAPTAIN J. A. DARLING, 1st U. S. Art., is at Vancouver Barracks, on a visit to assist in conducting the Division of the Pacific rifle competitions.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. Army, presided at a public memorial service held on Sunday last at San Francisco, in honor of the late General Sheridan.

LIEUTENANT H. H. LUDLOW, 3d U. S. Art., who is about completing a tour at the Artillery School, will join Burbank's light battery at San Antonio early in October.

CAPTAIN F. C. AINSWORTH, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, went this week from Washington to Atlanta, to inspect the new hospital at the barracks being constructed near that city.

MAJOR MERRITT BARBER, Assistant Adjutant-General, now East on leave, has had it extended two months, and at its expiration will report to General Gibbon at Vancouver Barracks. He is at present in New York City.

CAPTAIN W. E. DOUGHERTY, 1st Infantry, and Capt. W. H. Clapp, 16th Infantry, are among the recent applicants for the position of major and judge-advocate, soon to become vacant by the retirement of Lieut.-Col. B. H. Burnham and promotion of Major Curtis.

LIEUTENANT R. D. POTTS, 3d U. S. Art., under orders issued this week, will remain on duty at Washington Barracks, D. C. Lieut. H. C. Dames going from there to the Artillery School instead. Lieut. G. P. Scriven, now at San Antonio, will take Lieut. Dames's place at Washington Barracks.

LIEUTENANT E. S. DUDLEY, 2d U. S. Art., will relinquish duty at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Sept. 1, and, after an official visit to the camp of the Nebraska State militia at Wahoo, will join his battery at Huntsville, Ala. The tour just finished is Lieutenant Dudley's second, we believe, at the University at Lincoln, and it goes without saying that he is very popular there.

The Senate Committee on Military Affairs in its report on the bill for the relief of Col. Daniel McClure, Assistant Paymaster-General, U. S. Army, recommend that he be relieved from all checkmades made by the accounting officers against him, thus going a few steps further than the House Committee, which reported against several items aggregating about \$7,000. The total amount charged against Col. McClure by the accounting officers of the Treasury and of which he asks to be relieved is \$32,370.86.

The *News-Letter*, in its series of "Early Frisco Reminiscences," says: "On April 13, 1861, when the news came by overland telegraph of the bombardment of Fort Sumter, I was playing baseball on a vacant lot at South Park with a number of other boys, among whom were the two sons of Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, then in command of the Federal military post in San Francisco. The excitement among us boys was considerable, but my recollection is that the two Johnstons kept a remarkable silence. They were known to be Southern boys, but none of us dreamed that, as sons of a General in the Army, they could be otherwise than loyal in their sentiments. It was a case, however, of 'like father, like son.' The best-known 'society' Army officers stationed at the Presidio, Ft. Point, Alcatraz, etc., or visiting the city during these ten years, were: Lt. W. Minthorne Tompkins, 3d Art.; Capt. James Van Voast, 4th Inf.; Surgeon Van Saut; Lieut. Lawrence Kip, 3d Art.; Col. Delaney Floyd-Jones; Major James H. Caley, 2d Art.; Captain Huntington, 4th Art.; Colonel Bob Scott; Capt. J. D. W. Cutting; Captain Franklin Haven, Jr.; Captain Coster; Lieut. Lockwood; Captain Ernst; Lieut. George Wheeler; Colonel Dennison (son of the Postmaster-General); Brevet Brigadier-General C. A. Whittier; Lieut. Michler; Lieut. Bucknridge; Colonel Benjamin; Col. W. R. Smedberg; Lieut. S. Munson; Lieut. Waite; Lieut. Emory, and Lieut. Weedon. The Navy was well and ably represented by Lieutenant Charles Boggs; Lieut. Kelly; Lieut. Clark Merchant; Lieut. Bridgeman; Captain Fagan (U. S. Marine Corps); Lieut. Aulick Palmer (Marine Corps); Admiral's Secretary Dumont; Lieut. Hoff (Marine Corps); Lieut. Morton Sanders (brother of Mrs. Lloyd Tevis); Commander Cushing (who blew up the rebel ram *Albatross*); Engineer Montgomery Fletcher; Captain (now Admiral) Baldwin; Lieut. Frank Turnbull; Admiral Hoff; Paymaster Tol-free; Captain E. P. McCrea, and Captain Fendall (Marine Corps)."

LIEUT. LAUCHHEIMER, U. S. M. C., has returned from his leave spent at Atlantic City.

ADMIRAL C. R. P. RODGERS, U. S. N., has left Cobourg, Ontario, Canada, for Milwaukee, Uster Co., N. Y.

LIEUT. C. A. STONE, U. S. N., and family, have returned to Washington from Glenloch, Penn., where they have been spending the summer. Their early return was on account of the illness of their daughter.

The following Army and Navy officers registered at the Ebbitt during the week ending August 25, 1888: Army—Surgeon R. H. White, First Lieut. Robert W. Dowdy, 17th Infantry. Navy—Naval Cadets W. A. Moffett, L. H. Everhart, Cleland Davis, Claude Bailey; Lieuts. G. C. Hanus, T. M. Potts; Asst. Engineer Wm. D. Weaver, Chief Engineer A. S. Greene.

ADMIRAL RUSSELL, U. S. N., and family are at Richfield Springs, N. Y.

COLONEL C. HEYWOOD, U. S. M. C., and Mrs. Heywood are at Saratoga.

ADMIRAL UPDEUR, U. S. N., and family are at the Crawford House, White Mountains.

PAYMASTER L. G. BOGGS, U. S. N., and Mrs. Boggs are spending the summer at Elberon.

ADMIRALS SELFRIDGE and Steedman, U. S. N., with their families are at Bar Harbor.

LIEUTENANT R. F. NICHOLSON, U. S. N., is a recent guest at the Occidental, San Francisco.

SURGEON GEORGE H. COOKE, U. S. N., has been granted one month's leave from Aug. 23.

MATE J. W. BAXTER, U. S. N., and daughters, are at the Windsor Sulphur Springs, Md.

COMMANDER C. H. DAVIS, U. S. Navy, sailed for Europe on Saturday last on the *City of New York*.

COMMODORE W. K. MAYO, U. S. N., registered at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York City, on Tuesday.

LIEUTENANT RICHARDSON CLOVER, U. S. N., registered at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, on Monday.

LEAVE for September has been granted Lt.-Comdr. G. C. Reiter, U. S. N., on duty at the Norfolk Navy-yard.

COMMANDER SILAS CASEY, U. S. N., registered at the Grand Hotel, New York City, early in the week.

CIVIL ENGINEER M. T. ENDICOTT, U. S. N., of Norfolk, Va., is at May's Landing, N. J., for the summer.

COMMODORE MONTGOMERY SICARD, U. S. Navy, registered at the Everett House, New York City, on Tuesday.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER F. M. BARBER, U. S. N., and Mrs. Barber are in Newport and will remain several weeks.

MR. JOSEPH L. HUNSICKER, late lieutenant U. S. Navy, has arrived in London, where his address is York street, S. W.

MRS. BARTLETT, wife of Capt. H. A. Bartlett, U. S. M. C., is now in France, but expects to return home about the latter part of October.

LIEUTENANT THOMAS N. WOOD, U. S. M. C., has returned to his station at the Washington Yard from a visit to his family at Jamestown, R. I.

PAYMASTER J. R. CARMODY, U. S. N., attached to the *Galena*, was in Washington during the early part of the week, but joined his ship on Friday.

The bill to pay Mary E. Hopkins, widow of Capt. Alfred Hopkins, U. S. N., being his leave pay from date of his dismissal to date of death, has become a law without the President's signature.

CHIEF CONSTRUCTOR WILSON, U. S. N., has gone to Eaglesmere, Pa., for a three weeks' vacation. Naval Constructor Hichborn will be in charge of the Bureau of Construction and Repair during his absence.

PASSED ASST. PAYMASTER GEORGE A. DEERING, U. S. N., arrived in Washington on Tuesday from California. The paymaster is on a visit to his family, but will rejoin his ship, the *Monongahela*, about the latter part of September.

LIEUTENANT E. P. WOOD, U. S. N., one of the instructors at the Naval Academy, has been ordered to temporary duty at the Naval War College, Newport. Upon the completion of his series of lectures he will return to his station at the Naval Academy about Aug. 28.

Among the faculty of St. John's College, Annapolis, for 1888-'9 are Lieut. M. F. Jamar, U. S. A., Military Instructor, and Assistant Engineer J. R. Wilmer, U. S. N., Professor of Mathematical and Mechanical Engineering. C. T. Whittier is special instructor for candidates to the Naval Academy.

LIEUTENANT ROBERT H. McLEAN, U. S. N., who tendered his resignation about a year ago, to take effect Sept. 23, 1888, recently wrote the Department requesting the privilege of withdrawing his resignation, but the Secretary after going carefully over the statement submitted by Lieut. McLean declined to grant his request.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER JOHN K. WINN, U. S. N., commanding the Naval station at Key West, Fla., has been granted six weeks' leave from Sept. 15, and P. A. Paymr. James E. Cann, on duty there, until Oct. 1. In case the yellow fever should continue to increase in Florida, these officers will be granted indefinite leave, the same as that now extended the officers on duty at Pensacola.

ALTHOUGH the formal approval of the President has not yet been received, it is understood that Lt. Jacob J. Hunker, U. S. N., will be detailed as supervisor of the New York Harbor dumping grounds, in accordance with a recent act of Congress. Lieut. Hunker is at present on special duty as superintendent of anchorage in New York Harbor, which position he will continue to fill in addition to his new duties. Capt. Henry Erben and Lieut. G. C. Hanus were candidates for the detail.

At the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Cleveland last week, a paper prepared by J. C. Hueston was read by Comdr. H. C. Taylor, U. S. Navy, general manager of the Nicaragua Canal Construction Company, entitled, "The Nicaragua Canal: Its General Features and the Results Anticipated from its Construction."

THE *Norfolk Landmark* of Aug. 19 says: "Civil Engr. M. T. Endicott has returned from May's Landing, N. J. Gunner E. J. Beacham, of the *Franklin*, has received a month's leave. Commodore Brown's family leave Thursday for Indianapolis for a month's stay. Chief Engr. Robey's family leave Tuesday for the upper part of New York State. Capt. H. C. Cochrane will remain at Norfolk Navy-yard until the epidemic is over and then return to Pensacola. Asst. Engr. Leo D. Miner reported at the yard Aug. 18 for duty in the Steam Engineering Department."

THE ARMY.

ARMY CONFIRMATIONS, August 21, 1888.

Fourth Infantry.

1st Lieut. George O. Webster to be captain. 2d Lieut. Silas A. Wolf to be 1st lieutenant.

Fifth Infantry.

Lieut. Col. Nathan W. Osborne, of the 6th Infantry, to be colonel.

Sixth Infantry.

Major Robert H. Hall, of the 23d Inf., to be lieut. col.

Twenty-second Infantry.

Capt. Wm. H. Powell, of the 4th Infantry, to be major.

ARMY NOMINATIONS, August 20, 1888.

Col. Roger Jones, inspector general, to be inspector general with the rank of brigadier general, August 20, 1888, vice Baird, retired.

For appointment in the Army of the United States, with a view to his name being placed on the retired list of the Army, Wm. W. Averill, late captain 3d Cavalry, to be captain in the Army, August 17, 1888.

G. O. 65, H. Q. A., Aug. 16, 1888.

The following joint resolution of Congress is published for the information and government of all concerned:

Joint resolution to continue the provisions of a joint resolution approved June 30, 1888, entitled a "Joint Resolution to provide temporarily for the expenditures of the Government."

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of a joint resolution entitled a "Joint Resolution to provide temporarily for the expenditures of the Government," approved June 30, 1888, be, and the same are hereby extended and continued in full force and effect to and including Aug. 31, 1888.

Approved, July 31, 1888.

By command of Major General Schofield:

R. C. DRUM, Adjutant General.

G. O. 9, H. Q. A., A. G. O., Feb. 13, 1888.

Amends the following paragraphs of the Rev. Reg.:

2784. Colors of the Engineer Battalion.
2787. Colors of the Artillery Regiments.
2788. Colors of Infantry Regiments.
G. O. 14, H. Q. A., A. G. O., March 9, 1888, relates to disbursements for the Signal service.

CIR., WAR DEPT., A. G. O., Aug. 15, 1888.

Publishes a letter from Geo. M. Sternberg, Major and Surgeon, U. S. Army, upon the subject of glanders as an infectious disease and the propriety of killing animals suffering from said disease or farcy, as soon as recognized:

EXTRACT.

Glanders is an infectious disease in which the infectious agent has been demonstrated to be a living micro-organism—a bacillus.

Exact experiments have shown that the bacillus of glanders is killed by exposure of five minutes to a 5 per cent. solution of carbolic acid, or by a 1 to 5000 solution of corrosive sublimate. In practice it will be best to rely upon boiling water for the disinfection of all articles which can be immersed in it without injury—rope halters, blankets, curry-combs, bits, etc. To keep on the safe side, half an hour may be fixed as the standard time during which articles to be disinfected shall be immersed in boiling water, or exposed to steam at a temperature of 212° F. Articles of leather should be repeatedly washed with a 5 per cent. solution of carbolic acid or a 1 to 1000 solution of corrosive sublimate; or immersed in such a solution for at least one hour. If the solution can be used hot, say 180° F., without injury to the material, this will be desirable.

All exposed parts of an infected stable should be thoroughly and repeatedly (three or four times) washed with a solution of one of the above named disinfectants. The carbolic acid solution (5 per cent.) will be preferable on account of the poisonous nature of the solution of the bi-chloride of mercury; but the latter is less expensive, and under proper supervision there should be no special danger in using it. After its use, feeding troughs, etc., should be thoroughly scrubbed with hot water to remove all traces of the poisonous salt. The application of a lime wash to all surfaces, after complete disinfection, will be desirable.

Stables occupied by infected or suspected horses should be disinfected daily by washing exposed surfaces with a 5 per cent. solution of carbolic acid, and nose bags, halters, buckets used for drinking water, etc., should be carefully washed with the same solution or with boiling water.

In view of the reliability of known measures of disinfection, when properly executed, I do not consider it necessary or justifiable to destroy Government property of value which has become infected by contact with animals suffering from glanders. I do not doubt the propriety of killing animals suffering from glanders or farcy as soon as the nature of the disease is recognized.

WAR DEPT., PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Aug. 23, 1888.

Circular Letter to Officers of the Pay Department:

The Second Comptroller, under date of August 9, 1888, has decided that enlisted men transferred to the retired list are not entitled to travel pay and subsistence under R. S. 1290.

WM. B. ROCHESTER, Paymr. Gen., U. S. A.

G. O. 8, DEPT. OF DAKOTA, Aug. 15, 1888.

Lieut. Col. Wm. F. Drum, 12th Infantry, Acting Inspector General, having reported, in compliance with Par. 12, R. U. 156, c. s., from the Adj. Gen.'s Office, is announced, accordingly, as on duty at these Headquarters, from Aug. 15.

By command of Brigadier General Ruger:
THOMAS M. VINCENT, Asst. Adj.-Gen.

STAFF CORPS AND DEPARTMENTS.

Judge Advocate General's Department.

Leave for eighteen days is granted Lieut. Col. Thomas F. Barr, D. J. A. G., Chicago (S. O. 85, Aug. 17, Div. Mo.)

Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

The leave granted Major Merritt Barber, Asst. Adj. Gen., is extended two months (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

The retirement from active service, Aug. 20, by operation of law, of Brig. Gen. Abasalom Baird, Inspector General, under the provisions of the act of

Congress approved June 30, 1882, is announced (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

Col. Roger Jones, Insp. Gen., will repair to Washington, and report to the acting Secretary of War, for the purpose of taking charge of the office of the inspector general until further orders (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

Maj. Merritt Barber, A. A. G., is relieved as member of the retiring board at Los Angeles (S. O., Aug. 22, H. Q. A.)

Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments.

Leave for seven days, to commence on or about Aug. 21, is granted Major James W. Scully, Q. M., New Orleans (S. O. 170, Aug. 18, Div. Atlantic).

Major Ezra B. Kirk, Q. M., will proceed, under instructions of the Q. M. General, from Atlanta, Ga., to Nashville, Tenn., on public business (S. O., Aug. 22, H. Q. A.)

Post Q. M. Sergt. Wm. Van Heuckeroth will proceed to Fort Warren for duty, relieving Post Q. M. Sergt. Thomas B. March, who will proceed to San Carlos, Ariz., for duty (S. O., Aug. 16, H. Q. A.)

Capt. John Simpson, A. Q. M., Omaha, will proceed to Kearney and North Platte on public business (S. O. 70, Aug. 8, D. Dak.)

Capt. John F. Weston, C. S., is detailed as a member of the Army retiring board at Los Angeles, Cal., convoked by War Department order dated July 20, 1888, (S. O. 194, Aug. 22, H. Q. A.)

Maj. Thomas Wilson, C. S., in addition to his present duties, has been ordered to perform, temporarily, the duties of C. C. S., Division Missouri, relieving Col. Marcus D. L. Simpson, A. C. G. S., at the date of his retirement (S. O., Aug. 23, H. Q. A.)

Pay Department.

Major John C. Mublenberg, Paymr., Vancouver Barracks, will proceed on public business to Portland, Ore. (S. O. 89, Aug. 7, D. Columbia.)

The troops in Div. Atlantic will be paid on muster of Aug. 31, as follows: Col. Rodney Smith, Asst. Paymr. Gen., Governor's Island, David's Island, Frankford Arsenal and Allegheny Arsenal. Major Albert S. Towar, Paymr., Forts Wayne, Mackinac and Brady. Major Culver C. Smith, Paymr., Forts Columbus and Schuyler, Willer's Point, Sandy Hook, Watervliet and Plattsburgh Barracks. Major George W. Baird, Paymr., Fort Warren, Watertown Arsenal, National Armory, Fort Preble, and Kennebec Arsenal. Major Francis S. Dodge, Paymr., Forts Wood, Wadsworth and Hamilton, West Point, Forts Adams and Trumbull. Major John S. Witcher, Paymr., Newport Barracks, Columbus Barracks and Indianapolis Arsenal. Major W. H. Comegys, Paymr., Mount Vernon Barracks, Camp Monte Sano, Huntsville, Jackson Barracks, Army and Navy Hospital, Hot Springs, Little Rock Barracks, and Augusta Arsenal. Major Henry Clayton, Paymaster, Forts Porter, Niagara, Ontario, and Madison Barracks (S. O. 172, Aug. 21, Div. Atlantic).

Leave for four days, to take effect on or about Aug. 27, is granted Maj. Geo. W. Baird, paymaster, Boston (S. O. 175, Div. A., Aug. 24.)

Medical Department.

Capt. Louis M. Maus, asst. surg., having completed rifle practice at Camp S. B. Luce, Fisher's Island, will return to Fort Schuyler (S. O. 171, Aug. 20, Div. Atlantic).

During the absence of Col. Charles Sutherland, surgeon, on tour of inspection, Lieut. Col. Anthony Hoyer, surgeon, will, in addition to his other duties, attend to those of the Medical Director of the Div. (S. O. 170, Aug. 18, Div. Atlantic).

The leave granted Lieut. Col. Edward P. Vollum, surgeon, is extended two months (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Fred. C. Ainsworth, asst. surg., will proceed to Atlanta, Ga., for the purpose of inspecting the new Army hospital at that place (S. O., Aug. 10, H. Q. A.)

A. A. Surg. Frank L. Henderson is relieved from duty with the Dept. Rifle Competition, and will return to Fort Omaha (S. O. 70, Aug. 8, D. Platte).

A. A. Surg. D. S. Snively is relieved from duty at Fort Shaw, and will proceed to Fort Scully for duty. Upon the arrival of Surg. Calvin De Witt at Fort Missoula, A. A. Surg. Solon B. Stone will proceed to Fort Shaw, and report for duty (S. O. 78, Aug. 15, D. Dakota).

Hosp. Steward Charles O. Schott, Fort Wingate, N. M., will proceed to San Diego Barracks, Cal., for duty (S. O., Aug. 16, H. Q. A.)

Col. J. R. Smith, Medical Director, Dept. Dakota, will proceed to Fort Pembina, Totten, Buford, Abraham Lincoln and Yates, T. D., on duty connected with the inspection service of the Medical Department (S. O. 77, Aug. 13, D. Dakota).

Act. Hosp. Steward Waldemar Bay, H. C., will proceed from Fort Wingate, N. M., to Fort Mojave, A. T., and report for temporary duty to the C. O. (S. O. 94, Aug. 14, D. Ariz.)

Engineers and Ordnance Departments.

Leave for ten days, commencing Aug. 20, is granted Captain Richard L. Hoxie, C. E. (S. O. 40, Aug. 18, C. E.)

The following changes in stations are ordered: Lieut. Col. John W. Barlow, from Chattanooga to Nashville, Tenn. Capt. Wm. L. Marshall, from Milwaukee to Chicago, Ill., to take effect not later than Oct. 1 (S. O., Aug. 18, H. Q. A.)

Leave for ten days is granted Captain Carl F. Palfrey, C. E. (S. O. 39, Aug. 14, C. E.)

Capt. Frank Baker, Ord. Dept., will proceed from Frankford Arsenal, to the powder mills of E. I. Du Pont and Co., near Wilmington, Del., on public business in connection with the inspection of powder (S. O., Aug. 18, H. Q. A.)

Under act of Congress, approved Feb. 14, 1885, Sergt. Wm. H. Kenney, Ord. Detachment, is placed upon the retired list (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

The C. O. at Fort Wadsworth will transfer 1,000 pounds of mammoth powder to Capt. Henry Metcalfe, Instructor of Ordnance and Gunnery at the Military Academy (S. O. 174, Div. A., Aug. 23.)

1st Lieut. Frank E. Hobbs, Ord. Dept., will repair from Philadelphia to Washington, and report at the office of the Chief of Ordnance for consultation in connection with gun construction (S. O., Aug. 21, H. Q. A.)

Signal Corps.

Sergt. Norman B. Conger, Sig. Corps, will proceed from Lansing to Fort Wayne, Mich., for discharge and re-enlistment (S. O. 73, Aug. 17, Sig. office).

1st Class Pvt. Chas. F. Trotter, S. C., will proceed to Parkersburg, W. Va., and assume charge of that station, relieving Sergt. Robert J. Hyatt, S. C., in charge of that station, who will await further orders pending discharge (S. O. 74, Sig. Office, Aug. 21.)

THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel N. A. M. Dudley.

Hdqs., B. D. E. G. and K, Ft. Custer, Mont.; A, Ft. Maginnis, Mont.; I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; F and H, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont.; M, Camp Sheridan, Wyo.; C and L, Ft. Buford, D. T.

2d Lieut. James B. Aleshire is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, Minn., and will proceed to his station (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

Lieuts. D. L. Tate and W. A. Holbrook are relieved from further duty at Fort Snelling in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

Leave for one month is granted 2d Lieut. James B. Aleshire, Fort Custer, M. T. (S. O. 76, Aug. 11, D. Dak.)

Leave for fifteen days is granted 2d Lieut. Willard A. Holbrook, Fort Snelling (S. O. 76, Aug. 11, D. Dak.)

At the expiration of his leave 2d Lieut. Willard A. Holbrook will stand relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, and proceed to his station (S. O. 77, Aug. 13, D. Dak.)

Leave for twenty days is granted 1st Lieut. R. P. P. Wainwright, Adj., Fort Custer, to take effect about Aug. 22 (S. O. 78, Aug. 15, D. Dak.)

The C. O. of Fort Custer will grant a furlough for three months to Sergt. Theodore Frede, Troop D (S. O. 78, Aug. 15, D. Dak.)

2nd Cavalry, Colonel Nelson B. Sweetzer.

Hdqs., B. E. F. G. and I, Ft. Walla Walla, Wash. T.; A and K, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; C and M, Ft. Bidwell, Cal.; D, Boise Bks., Idaho; H, Ft. Spokane, Wash. T.; L, Ft. Sherman, Idaho.

Lieuts. J. N. Allison and D. L. Brainard are relieved, Aug. 13, from further duty in connection with Dept. rifle competitions (S. O. 90, Aug. 8, D. Columbia.)

3rd Cavalry, Colonel Albert G. Brackett.

Hdqs., C. E. and M, Ft. Clark, Tex.; B, G. and L, San Antonio, Tex.; D, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; H, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; I and K, Ft. Brown, Tex.; A, Camp at Eagle Pass, Tex.; F, Camp Pecos Colorado, Tex.

Capt. George A. Drew and 2d Lieut. Arthur Thayer are detailed members of the G. C. M. at Fort Ringgold (S. O. 84, Aug. 13, D. Tex.)

4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdqs., D, F. H. I, and K, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; A, E. and L, Ft. Lowell, Ariz.; C and G, Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; M, Ft. McDowell, Ariz.; B, Ft. Myer, Va.

Capt. Theodore J. Wint, having reported, will report to the C. O. of the Cavalry Depot, Jefferson Barracks, for duty (S. O. 149, Aug. 13, Rec. Ser.)

The leave of Capt. Theodore J. Wint has been extended one month (S. O., Aug. 23, H. Q. A.)

5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdqs., H, C. G. and K, Ft. Reno, Ind. T.; E and H, Ft. Elliott, Tex.; D and L, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.; A, F. and I, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; M, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Lieuts. F. W. Foster and S. E. Adair are relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 90, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

6th Cavalry, Colonel Eugene A. Carr.

Hdqs., A, C. H. I, and K, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; E and F, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; D and L, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; M, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; B, Ft. Myer, Va.; G, Ft. Union, N. M.

Lieuts. H. J. Gallagher and F. H. Beach are relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 90, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

The excess of travel performed by Maj. T. C. Tupper, in compliance with par. 4, S. O. 72, c. 3, in joining new station at Fort Wingate, N. M., is approved under par. 2426, as amended by G. O. 64, A. G. O., series 1885, the same being necessary for the public service. (S. O. 94, Aug. 14, D. Ariz.)

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, G, I, L, and M, Ft. Riley, Kas.; E, F, H, and K, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.

2d Lieut. J. D. Mann is relieved from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to Fort Riley (S. O. 97, Aug. 9, Dept. M.)

Capt. G. D. Wallace and 2d Lieut. T. Q. Donaldson, Jr., are relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 90, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

Capt. G. D. Wallace is relieved from duty in the Dept. of Missouri (S. O. 100, Aug. 14, Dept. M.)

8th Cavalry, Colonel Elmer Otis.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, I, and M, Ft. Meade, D. T.; H and L, Ft. Keogh, M. T.; E and K, Ft. Buford, D. T.; F and G, Ft. Yates, D. T.

Major Samuel S. Sumner, A. I. G., will proceed on public business to Portland, Ore. (S. O. 92, Aug. 11, D. Columbia.)

Leave for one month, to take effect on being relieved from recruiting duty, is granted Capt. Edward A. Godwin (S. O., Aug. 16, H. Q. A.)

The 8th Cav., en route from the Mexican border to Fort Meade and the Northwest, reached Kearney last week. Their horses are in fine condition. Col. Mizner, who is in command, was a subordinate officer at Fort Kearney in '61-63, and has not been in Nebraska for over twenty years.

9th Cavalry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdqs., B, F, I, and K, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; A and G, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; D and H, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; E, Ft. Washita, Wyo.; C and M, Ft. Du Chene, Utah (Post-office address via Ogden, Utah); L, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

S. O. 68, assigning Major Adna R. Chaffee to Fort Niobrara, Neb., is amended to assign him to Fort Du Chene, Utah (S. O. 71, Aug. 13, D. Platte.)

1st Lieut. John H. Gardner, on temporary duty with Troop H, is relieved from duty with that troop, to take effect after the breaking up of the camp of instruction near old Fort Casper, Wyo., and will then proceed to join his troop (M) at Fort Du Chene (S. O. 72, Aug. 14, D. Platte.)

10th Cavalry, Colonel Benjamin H. Grierson.

Hdqs., Santa Fe, N. M.; E, F. and K, Ft. Grant, A. T.; C and G, San Carlos, A. T.; A and H, Ft. Apache, A. T.; I, Ft. Verde, A. T.; B, Ft. Thomas, A. T.; D, L. and M, Ft. Bayard, N. M.

An extension of twenty-three days to post leave

from Fort Apache is granted Lieut.-Col. G. G. Hunt, with permission to apply for an extension of one month (S. O. 92, Aug. 9, D. Ariz.)

2d Lieut. W. H. Smith is relieved as recruiting officer at Fort Verde, Ariz. (S. O. 93, Aug. 10, D. Ariz.)

Capt. S. T. Norvell is designated as inspector to pass upon cavalry horses to be delivered at Fort Bayard, N. M. (S. O. 93, Aug. 10, D. Ariz.)

Leave for one month is granted Col. B. H. Grierson (S. O. 93, Aug. 10, D. Ariz.)

Leave of absence for one month, to take effect Aug. 23, with permission to apply to the proper authority for an extension of one month, is granted 2d Lieut. J. B. McDonald. (S. O. 94, Aug. 14, D. Ariz.)

1st Lieut. Leighton Finley will proceed to Fort Grant, A. T., and report for temporary duty to the commanding officer of that post Aug. 22. (S. O. 94, Aug. 14, D. Ariz.)

Pvt. Frederick Brown, Troop F, now with his troop at Fort Grant, is transferred to the Hospital Corps as a private (S. O., Aug. 21, H. Q. A.)

1st Artillery, Colonel John C. Tidball.

Hdqs., A, C, D, H, I, L, and K, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; E and G, Alcatraz Island, Cal.; F, Vancouver Bks., W. T.; M, Ft. Monroe, Va.; N, Ft. Mason, Cal.

Capt. John A. Darling will report to the Comdg. Gen. Dept. of Columbia, Aug. 14, to assist in conducting the Division rifle competition at Vancouver Barracks (S. O. 42, Aug. 10, Div. P.)

Leave for ten days, to commence on or about Aug. 21, is granted 2d Lieut. Samuel Rodman, Jr., Fort Monroe (S. O. 171, Aug. 20, Div. A.)

2nd Artillery, Colonel Romeyn B. Ayres.

Hdqs., B, and H, Huntsville, Ala.; G and L, St. Francis Bks., Fla.; A, E, and I, Little Rock Bks., Ark.; C and D, Mount Vernon Bks., Ala.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; J, Ft. Monroe, Va.; K and M, Jackson Bks., La.

So much of S. O. 38 as directs 1st Lieut. Edwin St. J. Greble, A. D. C., to report to the Comdg. Gen. Dept. of Columbia, Aug. 13, is revoked (S. O. 42, Aug. 10, Div. P.)

Leave for six months on Surgeon's certificate is granted 1st Lieut. Melzar C. Richards (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Edgar S. Dudley is relieved from duty at the University of the State of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb., to take effect Sept. 1 (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Edgar S. Dudley will proceed from Lincoln to Wahoo, Neb., and visit the camp of the Nebraska State Militia for one week, commencing Sept. 1, for the purpose of inspecting the troops taking part in the encampment (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

Charles E. Zimmer, lately a member of Bat. E, 2d U. S. Art., died at Washington, Aug. 18.

3rd Artillery, Colonel Horatio G. Gibson.

Hdqs., A, C, E, H, K, and L, Washington Bks., D. C.; B, Newport Bks., Ky.; D, G. and I, Ft. McHenry, Md.; M, Ft. Monroe, Va.; F, Ft. San Antonio, Tex.

So much of S. O. 164 as relates to 1st Lieut. Henry H. Ludlow and George P. Scriven is amended to transfer Lieut. Ludlow from Bat. H to Light Bat. F, Oct. 1, vice Lieut. Scriven, from Light Bat. F to Bat. H (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

S. O. 160 is amended to transfer 1st Lieut. Henry C. Dances from Bat. H to Bat. M, to take effect Sept. 1, vice 1st Lieut. Henry H. Ludlow, from Bat. M to Bat. H; and so much of said order as relates to 1st Lieut. Ramsay D. Potts is revoked. Lieut. Dances will join the battery to which he is transferred (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

Leave for one month, to commence on or about Sept. 12, is granted 1st Lieut. Henry B. Osgood, Fort Monroe (S. O. 171, Aug. 20, Div. A.)

Leave for two months is granted Capt. John F. Mount, Washington Barracks (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. A.)

Leave for one month, to commence on or about Sept. 1, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 1st Lieut. Chas. G. Woodward, Fort McHenry. (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. Atl.)

The journey performed Aug. 18 by 2d Lieut. John D. Barrette, from Fort Monroe, Va., to Washington Barracks, D. C., for the public service in connection with orders sending him to Fort Niagara, N. Y., to take part in the rifle competitions thereat is confirmed. (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. Atl.)

4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.

Hdqs., B, D, E, G, and L, Ft. Adams, R. I.; A and C, Ft. Trumbull, Conn.; F, Ft. Snelling, Minn.; I and K, Ft. Warren, Mass.; H, Ft. Monroe, Va.; M, Ft. Preble, Me.

2d Lieut. Walter N. P. Darrow is relieved as member of the G. C. M. at Fort Warren. (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. Atl.)

5th Artillery, Colonel Alex. Piper.

Hdqs., E, F, I, and H, Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.; A, C, and L, Ft. Columbus, N. Y.; G, Ft. Monroe, Va.; B, Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.; D, Ft. Douglas, Utah; K and M, Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.

S. O. 186, Aug. 13, relating to 1st Lieuts. Garland N. Whistler, Oliver E. Wood, and William R. Hamilton, is revoked (S. O., Aug. 18, H. Q. A.)

S. O. 160, July 12, is so amended as to transfer 1st Lieut. William B. Homer from Bat. E to Bat. G, vice 1st Lieut. Oliver E. Wood, from Bat. G to Bat. E; and so much as relates to 1st Lieut. William R. Hamilton is revoked. Lieuts. Homer and Wood will exchange batteries in accordance with the terms of the order specified (S. O., Aug. 18, H. Q. A.)

Major Marcus P. Miller will proceed to Fort Niagara, N. Y., on duty connected with the Division rifle competition (S. O. 171, Aug. 20, Div. A.)

Upon the completion of his duties as A. A. Q. M. for Camp S. B. Luce, Fisher's Island, 1st Lieut. Frank Thorp will repair to Fort Columbus, N. Y. H. (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. A.)

The C. O. of Camp S. B. Luce is authorized to retain Sergt. Eugene Buhl, Bat. H, on duty as acting sergeant-major until the departure of Bats. C, L, and K (S. O. 170, Aug. 18, Div. A.)

1st Infantry, Colonel William R. Shafter.

Hdqs., A, D, I, and K, Angel Island, Cal.; F and G, Benicia Bks., Cal.; C and E, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; H, Ft. Gaston, Cal.; J, Ft. McDermitt, Nev.

1st Lieut. Thos. H. Barry is relieved as a member of the G. C. M. convened by S. O. 47, and is appointed J. A. thereof, vice 2d Lieut. Chas. B. Vogdes relieved. (S. O. 53, Aug. 14, D. Cal.)

2d Lieut. Frank L. Winn is detailed member of the G. C. M. at Santa Barbara, Cal. (S. O. 53, Aug. 14, D. Cal.)

2d Infantry, Colonel Frank Wheaton.

Hdqs. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, and K, Ft. Omaha, Neb.
1st Lieut. John K. Waring is relieved from duty with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to Fort Omaha (S. O. 71, Aug. 13, D. Platte.)
2d Lieut. Frederick T. Van Liew, Fort Omaha, is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to his station (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)
1st Lieut. Abner Pickering is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, Aug. 30, and will proceed to join his company at the camp of instruction at Kearney, Neb. (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)

3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.

Hdqs. A, B, C, D, E, and K, Ft. Snelling, Minn.; G, Ft. Stanton, D. T.; H, C, F, and I, Ft. Meade, D. T.
Leave for twenty days is granted 2d Lieut. Chase W. Kennedy, Fort Snelling (S. O. 78, Aug. 15, D. Dak.)

4th Infantry, Colonel William P. Carlin.

Hdqs. C, D, E, and H, Ft. Sherman, Idaho; A, B, F, I, and K, Ft. Spokane, Wash. T.; G, Boise Barracks, Idaho.
Lieuts. L. A. Lovering, F. B. Andrus, M. O. Hollis, and H. Hall are relieved, Aug. 13, from further duty in connection with Dept. rifle competitions (S. O. 90, Aug. 8, D. Columbia.)

6th Infantry, Colonel Alex. McD. McCook.

Hdqs. H, and I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A, B, C, D, E, and G, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; F and K, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.
2d Lieut. B. W. Atkinson is relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to his station (S. O. 99, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)
1st Sergt. Xavier Wilke, Co. E, will be discharged the service of the U. S. (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)
Corpl. William J. H. Algenier has been promoted sergeant and Pvt. Robert Jensen corporal in Co. D. Sergt. Harold M. Hallman, having re-enlisted, is reassigned to Co. A, and his rank continued.

7th Infantry, Colonel Henry C. Merriam.

Hdqs. B, C, D, E, and F, Ft. Laramie, Wyo.; A and H, Camp Pilot Butte, Wyo.; G and I, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; K, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.
Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted Capt. Charles A. Coolidge, Camp Pilot Butte, Wyo. Capt. Coolidge is authorized to take advantage of this leave before complying with the order relieving him from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)
Capt. Charles A. Coolidge, Camp Pilot Butte, is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to his station (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)
The leave for one month granted Capt. Charles A. Coolidge is extended one month (S. O. 86, Aug. 20, Div. M.)
Leave for one month on Surgeon's certificate is granted Capt. Thaddeus S. Kirtland, in addition to the further extension of ordinary leave granted him (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)
A correspondent sends the following score made recently with a Springfield rifle by Master Fitzhugh C. Benham, son of Major Benham, 7th Inf., at Fort Laramie:

Yards.	Scores.	Total.
200.....	22 19 19 20	80
300.....	21 20 19 20	80
500.....	22 18 22 18	80
600.....	21 21 21 21	84

Master Benham is but 12 years old, and bids fair to beat the record of the Colonel of his father's regiment (Col. Merriam).

8th Infantry, Colonel August V. Kautz.

Hdqs. A, B, E, F, G, and H, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C, D, I, and K, Ft. Robinson, Neb.
Major Charles J. Dickey, Omaha, will return to Fort Robinson, Neb. (S. O. 72, Aug. 14, D. Platte.)
2d Lieuts. Edward N. Jones, Jr., and Joseph C. Beardsley are relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to their stations (S. O. 72, Aug. 14, D. Platte.)

9th Infantry, Colonel John S. Mason.

Hdqs. B, C, F, H, and I, Whipple Bks., A. T.; E, San Diego Bks., Cal.; A, Ft. Mojave, A. T.; D, Ft. McDowell, A. T.; G, Ft. Bowie, A. T.; K, San Carlos, A. T.
1st Lieut. Charles M. Rockefeller will report to the C. O. San Diego Barracks, temporarily, for Gar. C. M. duty (S. O. 92, Aug. 9, D. Ariz.)
2d Lieut. F. DeW. Ramsey is appointed recruiting officer at Fort Verde, A. T. (S. O. 93, Aug. 10, D. Ariz.)
The retirement from active service Aug. 21, by operation of law, of Col. John S. Mason, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 30, 1882, is announced (S. O., Aug. 21, H. Q. A.)
Pvt. Charles R. Hickey, Co. F, Whipple Barracks, is transferred to the Hospital Corps as a private (S. O., Aug. 21, H. Q. A.)

10th Infantry, Colonel Henry Douglass.

Hdqs. C, F, H, and I, Ft. Union, N. M.; A and E, Ft. Lyon, Colo.; G and K, Ft. Crawford, Colo.; D, Ft. Marcy, N. M.; B, Ft. Stanton, N. M.
Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 2d Lieut. R. L. Bullard (S. O. 92, Aug. 9, D. Ariz.)
2d Lieut. I. W. Littell is relieved from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will return to Fort Lyon, Colo. (S. O. 98, Aug. 10, Dept. M.)
The leave for one month granted 2d Lieut. Robert L. Bullard is extended one month (S. O. 43, Aug. 13, Div. P.)

11th Infantry, Colonel Richard I. Dodge.

Hdqs. A, D, G, H, and I, Madison Bks., N. Y.; E and K, Ft. Niagara, N. Y.; B, Fort Wood, N. Y.; C, Ft. Ontario, N. Y.; F, Plattsburgh Bks., N. Y.
S. O. 100, directing an exchange of stations between Cos. C and H (suspended until further orders by par. 2, S. O. 163), is revoked (S. O. 172, Aug. 21, Div. A.)
Sergt. William H. Fugett, Co. H, Madison Barracks, is transferred to the Hospital Corps as a private (S. O., Aug. 21, H. Q. A.)

12th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdqs. E, G, H, and I, Ft. Yates, D. T.; A, B, C, and D, Ft. Sully, D. T.; K, Ft. Bennett, D. T.; F, Ft. A. Lincoln, D. T.
1st Lieuts. Frederick A. Smith and Charles W. Abbot, Jr., are relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, Minn., and will proceed to their stations (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

Leave for twenty days, to commence Aug. 18, is granted Capt. Hugh G. Brown, Fort Snelling (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

At the expiration of his leave Capt. Hugh G. Brown will stand relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, Minn., and proceed to his station (S. O. 76, Aug. 11, D. Dak.)

13th Infantry, Colonel Robert S. La Motte.

Hdqs. B, D, and H, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; I and G, Ft. Elliott, Tex.; C and E, Ft. Reno, Ind. T.; F, Ft. Lyon, Colo.; A, Ft. Sill, Ind. T.; K, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Lieuts. M. B. Saffold, E. P. Lawton, J. A. Penn, Jr., and W. N. Hughes are relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 99, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

Ordinary leave for one month is granted Capt. Philip H. Ellis in extension of the leave of absence on Surgeon's certificate granted him (S. O., Aug. 20, H. Q. A.)

14th Infantry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.

Hdqs. B, C, D, F, G, H, and K, Vancouver Bks., Wash. T.; A, Ft. Townsend, Wash. T.; E, Ft. Klamath, Ore.; I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Lieut. J. P. O'Neill is relieved from further duty in connection with rifle competitions at Vancouver Barracks (S. O. 89, Aug. 7, D. Columbia.)

Major Charles A. Wikoff, I. R. P., will proceed on public business to Portland, Ore. (S. O. 90, Aug. 8, D. Columbia.)

Capt. D. W. Burke and Lieuts. S. J. Mulhall, W. P. Goodwin, W. A. Kimball, and F. F. Eastman are relieved, Aug. 13, from further duty in connection with Dept. rifle competitions (S. O. 90, Aug. 8, D. Columbia.)

Capt. Gilbert S. Carpenter, Vancouver Barracks, will return to his proper station, Fort Klamath (S. O. 92, Aug. 11, D. Columbia.)

2d Lieut. Alfred Hasbrouck, Jr., is relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to his station (S. O. 99, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

15th Infantry, Colonel Robert E. A. Crofton.

Hdqs. E, F, G, and K, Ft. Buford, D. T.; A, C, D, and H, Ft. Hamden, D. T.; B and I, Ft. Pembina, D. T.

2d Lieut. William F. Blauvelt is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, Minn., and will proceed to his station (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

At the expiration of the leave granted 2d Lieut. Robert C. Williams, he will stand relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, and proceed to his station (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

Leave for ten days, to commence Aug. 18, is granted 1st Lieut. James A. Maney, Fort Snelling (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

At the expiration of his leave 1st Lieut. James A. Maney will stand relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, and proceed to his station (S. O. 76, Aug. 11, D. Dak.)

2d Lieut. John Cotter is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, and will proceed to his station (S. O. 77, Aug. 13, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. James A. Maney will report to the Inspector of Rifle Practice of the Division, for duty in connection with the Division rifle competition, etc., near San Antonio (S. O. 87, Aug. 21, Div. M.)

16th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.

Hdqs. B, D, E, G, H, and I, Ft. Douglas, Utah; A, C, F, and K, Ft. Du Chesse, Utah.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 1st Lieut. Charles B. Tyler, Fort Du Chesse (S. O. 71, Aug. 13, D. Platte.)

2d Lieut. John C. Gregg is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will proceed to join his company at the camp of instruction in Strawberry Valley, Utah, via Fort Douglas, Utah (S. O. 72, Aug. 14, D. Platte.)

17th Infantry, Colonel Henry R. Mitzner.

Hdqs. A, B, C, E, F, G, I, and K, Ft. D. A. Russell, Wyo.; D and H, Ft. Bridger, Wyo.

1st Lieut. James M. Burns is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will proceed to join his company, now en route to camp of instruction to be established at Kearney, Neb. (S. O. 72, Aug. 14, D. Platte.)

The Cheyenne Leader says:
Seventeenth Infantry members of the Dept. of the Platte shoot returned Aug. 14 covered with glory. The representatives from the 17th were Lieuts. Lockwood and Muir, Serats, Glenn, Dietz, and Spencer, Corpls. Mercier and Kratzer, and Privts. Atkinson, Mayer, and Corey, the latter of the band. The result of the contest showed phenomenal success for the 17th Infantry boys. Col. Gay V. Henry publicly complimenting them on their efficiency and soldierly behavior. All have returned home in jubilant spirits, which they are certainly justified in doing from the record they have made.

18th Infantry, Colonel John E. Yard.

Hdqs. B, D, and H, Ft. Hays, Kas.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C and I, Ft. Gibson, I. T.; G and K, Ft. Lyon, Colo.; A and E, Denver, Colo.

2d Lieut. G. W. Martin is relieved from duty at Fort Leavenworth in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to his station (S. O. 99, Aug. 13, Dept. M.)

Leave for twenty days, to take effect about Sept. 7, is granted Major G. K. Brady (S. O. 101, Aug. 15, Dept. M.)

19th Infantry, Colonel Charles H. Smith.

Hdqs. A, G, H, and I, San Antonio, Tex.; B, C, D, E, and F, Ft. Clark, Tex.; K, Ft. Concho, Tex.

2d Lieut. Woodbridge Geary is detailed as recruiting officer at Fort Concho, vice 1st Lieut. Francis H. French, relieved (S. O. 84, Aug. 13, D. Tex.)

2d Lieut. Z. B. Vance, Jr., is assigned to the command of Seminoles Negro-Indian scouts, to take effect Sept. 1, relieving 2d Lieut. Thomas G. Hanson, who will join his company (S. O. 84, Aug. 13, D. Tex.)

20th Infantry, Colonel Elwell S. Otis.

Hdqs. B, C, D, E, F, H, and K, Ft. Assiniboine, M. T.; A, Ft. Maginnis, M. T.; G and I, Camp Poplar River, M. T.

Lieut. C. Gerhardt is relieved from further duty at Fort Snelling in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to his station (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

21st Infantry, Colonel Henry A. Morrow.

Hdqs. A, C, E, G, and I, Ft. Sidney, Neb.; D, F, and H, Ft. Bridger, Wyo.; B, Ft. Douglas, Utah; K, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.

2d Lieut. Charles G. Dwyer is relieved from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will join his company in Strawberry Valley, Utah, with permission to delay en route at Fort Bridger on public business (S. O. 70, Aug. 8, D. Platte.)

1st Lieut. John S. Parke, Jr., is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will join his company at camp of instruction at Kearney, Neb. (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)

22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Swayne.

Hdqs. A, B, C, D, F, H, and K, Ft. Keogh, M. T.; E and G, Ft. Totten, D. T.; I, Ft. A. Lincoln, D. T.

Lieuts. F. B. Jones, John H. Wills, and W. E. Bruce are relieved from further duty at Fort Snelling in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to their stations (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

Major Robert H. Hall, A. I. G., will make a special inspection of the troops in the camp of instruction in Strawberry Valley, Utah (S. O. 73, Aug. 15, D. Platte.)

23rd Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Black.

Hdqs. F, G, H, and I, Ft. Wayne, Mich.; A and B, Ft. Brady, Mich.; C and D, Ft. Porter, N. Y.; E and K, Ft. Mackinac, Mich.

The C. O. Fort Wayne, Mich., will issue a furlough for two months to Sergt. Valentine Wendel, Co. G (S. O. 170, Aug. 18, Div. A.)

25th Infantry, Colonel George L. Andrews.

Hdqs. G, H, I, and K, Ft. Missoula, M. T.; B, C, E, and F, Ft. Shaw, M. T.; A and D, Ft. Custer, M. T.

Lieut. G. P. Ahern is relieved from further duty at Fort Snelling in connection with rifle competitions, and will return to his station (S. O. 75, Aug. 10, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. Harvey D. Reed is relieved from further duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition at Fort Snelling, and will proceed to his station (S. O. 77, Aug. 13, D. Dak.)

Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:

At Fort Leavenworth, Kas., Aug. 13. Detail: Capt. J. P. Schindler, 6th Inf.; Capt. C. C. Carr, 1st Cav.; Capt. Francis Moore, 9th Cav.; Capt. J. B. Babcock and 2d Lieut. W. E. Almy, 5th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Alfred Hasbrouck, Jr., 14th Inf.; 2d Lieut. R. W. Atkinson, 6th Inf.; and 2d Lieut. G. W. Martin, 18th Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 97, Aug. 9, Dept. M.)
At West Point, N. Y., Aug. 20. Detail: Capt. Philip M. Price, C. E.; Capt. Henry G. Sharpe, C. S.; 1st Lieut. James Allen, 7th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Edward E. Hardin, 7th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Eugene J. Spencer, C. R.; 1st Lieut. William W. Galbraith, 5th Art.; 1st Lieut. John A. Johnston, 8th Cav., and 2d Lieut. Alfred B. Jackson, 9th Cav., J.-A. (S. O., Aug. 16, H. Q. A.)

At Fort Porter, N. Y., Aug. 22. Detail: Major Henry Clayton, Pay Dept.; Major Samuel Ovenshine and Capt. Thomas M. K. Smith, 2d Inf.; Capt. William B. Davis, Asst. Surg.; Capt. Henry J. Haynsworth, Q. M. Dept.; 1st Lieut. Charles Hay, 2d Inf., and 1st Lieut. S. Allen Dyer, 2d Inf., J.-A. (S. O. 171, Aug. 20, Div. A.)

At Fort Hamilton, N. Y., Aug. 27. Detail: Major Abram C. Wildrick, Capt. John R. Brackley, George W. Cobb, and Joshua A. Fessenden, 1st Lieuts. William H. Coffin and Albert C. Blunt, and 2d Lieut. John W. Ruckman, 5th Art., and 2d Lieut. Thomas Ridgway, 5th Art., J.-A. (S. O. 174, Aug. 23, Div. A.)

Army Boards.

A Board of Survey, to consist of Major E. V. Sumner, 5th Cav.; Capt. C. W. Whipple, Ord. Dept., and Capt. Arthur Murray, A. J.-A., will meet at Fort Leavenworth, Aug. 15, to fix the responsibility for the condition of certain subsistence stores (S. O. 93, Aug. 10, Dept. M.)

A Board of Officers, to consist of Col. George H. Mendell and William P. Craighill and Major James C. Post, C. E., will assemble at Portland, Ore., Aug. 20, to consider and report upon certain questions in connection with the obstructions to navigation in the Columbia River at The Dalles and Celilo Falls, and at Three and Ten Miles Rapids (S. O. 38, Aug. 16, C. E.)

A Board of Officers, to consist of Col. Henry L. Abbot, Lieut.-Col. George L. Gillespie, and Major William H. Livermore, C. E., will assemble at Boston, Aug. 16, to consider the matter of the harbor lines of the Port of Boston (S. O. 38, Aug. 14, C. E.)

A Board of Officers of the Corps of Engineers, to consist of Lieut.-Col. William E. Merrill and Majors Amos Stickney and Alexander Mackenzie, will assemble at Cincinnati, Sept. 3, to report as to the practicability of improving the Ohio River below Pittsburgh by means of movable dams (S. O. 41, Aug. 21, C. E.)

Retired Officers.—1st Lieut. C. A. Curtis, retired, is, at his own request, relieved from further duty at the East Florida Seminary, Gainesville, Fla.

College Duty.—By direction of the President 1st Lieut. Charles A. Curtis, retired, is, at his own request, relieved from further duty at the East Florida Seminary, Gainesville, Fla. (S. O. Aug. 22, H. Q. A.)

Ordnance Stores.—The Secretary of War directs that, with the exceptions specified in par. 244, A. R., all ordnance stores including knives, forks, spoons, tin cups, meat cans, canteens, etc., issued to recruits at depots, be taken by the men to the commands to which assigned to be invoiced to and properly receipted for by the company commanders. This with view to prevent the turning in of these articles to post ordnance officers and the subsequent accumulation of what are generally designated as unserviceable stores. (Letter A. G. O., Aug. 9, 1888.)

Judge Advocate's Duties.—In a letter of June 23 to the Acting Judge Advocate, Dept. Texas, Lieut. O. M. Smith, A. A. G., says that Gen. Stanley has decided "That the details for all general courts-martial, the preparation of all G. C. M. O. and orders affecting the sentences of courts-martial, shall be made in the office of the J. A. of the Department; that all charges, proceedings of courts-martial and papers relating to them, as well as reports of boards of survey held on deserters and all other papers connected with military prisoners and convicts, shall be in the custody of the Acting J. A., and that the proceedings of general courts martial received at the office of the A. A. G. shall be sent to the A. J. A. unopened, who is also charged with forwarding the same to the Judge Advocate General of the Army. All deeds, agreements and written instruments affecting the title of land held by the military authorities are to be referred to the office of the J. A. for record and remark, and the

originals of such papers, if required to be filed at Department Headquarters, are to be filed in that office."

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

Dept. of Dakota.—Brig. Gen. T. H. Ruger.

A despatch from Pine River Agency received early in the week states that a large band of armed Sioux have gone to the Cheyenne country on the Tongue River in defiance of Agent Gallagher's orders. As soon as it was learned that the Indians had gone, a telegram was sent to Gen. Ruger, who telegraphed Col. Dudley at Fort Custer to send out troops at once to intercept them. Two troops of the 1st Cavalry started across the country to meet the Indians. The troops are in command of Major J. M. Hamilton, 1st Cavalry.

Division of the Pacific.—Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard.

The Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association of the San Francisco Police Department at a recent meeting unanimously adopted the following:

Whereas, On the occasion of the late unfortunate accident which resulted in the death of our brother, Sergt. James A. Wilson, great kindness was shown him by the commanding officer, post surgeon, and other residents of the Presidio, be it

Resolved, That the acts of kindness extended to our late brother are fully appreciated by the Police Department and by the members of this association.

Resolved, That the thanks of this association be tendered to the post commander, Major J. I. Rodgers, and to the post surgeon, Major Tilton; to the assistant surgeon, Capt. Fisher, and to Dr. Dupont, for their services so kindly rendered on that occasion.

Dept. of Arizona.—Brig.-Gen. N. A. Miles.

Gen. Miles telegraphed Aug. 18:

With the exception of one man who escaped from the guardhouse five months ago, and who is now seriously disabled, and one other, all are now in. The two referred to are within a short distance, and will be in or be arrested. Their offences are against other Indians. In all other respects matters are in the same condition and as peaceable as formerly. I start back to-day for my headquarters at Los Angeles.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

WEST POINT, N. Y.

AUGUST 21, 1888.

The hops here are crowded; a picnic to Washington Valley took place last Thursday in spite of the intense heat of the afternoon. Another picnic will be given on Thursday of the present week, and the entertainment in camp on Saturday evening.

Lieut. Hodges left the post last Friday to be absent until Aug. 28.

Mrs. Winslow, mother of Cadet Winslow of the 1st class, left for Washington on Saturday, having made a visit here of about a month. On the same day Mrs. Edson and her daughter, Miss Agatha Edson, left, having made quite a long visit. Mrs. Edson is the widow of Maj. Edson of the Ordnance, who was the immediate predecessor of Col. Mordecai as instructor of Ordnance at the Academy.

Miss Laura Mordecai, daughter of Col. Mordecai, who was here for a few days last month, will return to the post tomorrow on a visit to Mrs. Braden.

Lieut. Braden, who returned from Europe a short time ago, is at present in Michigan visiting his mother.

Miss Newlands and Miss Ritch left on Monday for Conanicut Island, where they will spend a fortnight as the guests of Prof. and Mrs. Larned.

Mr. Bertram Tracy Clayton, formerly of the 11th Inf., who resigned some months ago, and Mrs. Clayton, are, with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brasier, of Brooklyn, Mrs. Clayton's parents, staying at Cranston's Hotel.

Miss Dora Tolley is visiting her grandmother Mrs. S. R. Roe, at Pine Terrace, Highland Falls.

Gen. Mrs. and Miss Parke have left the post, to be absent until Aug. 28. They are with friends at York Harbor on the Maine coast.

Among recent arrivals may be mentioned Miss Trowbridge at Prof. Mercer's, Mrs. Spencer at Lieut. Whipple's, Mrs. Marsh, sister of Mrs. Hawkins and daughter, Mrs. P. C. Hains, wife of Lieut. Col. Hains, of the Engineers, and Mrs. and Miss Griffith, of Baltimore, at the hotel.

Lieut. Totten returned to the post yesterday, having been absent on a yachting trip for a month.

Mrs. and Miss Comly are expected shortly. They will visit Prof. and Mrs. Michie.

Candidates for admission to West Point in June next were designated this week as follows:

William E. Horton, Washington, D. C.
Harry Augustus Krause, Williamsport, Pa.
Alt. Edson J. Catlin, Niles Valley, Pa.
Alt. R. H. T. Adams, Jr., Lynchburg, Va.
Amos E. Martin, Middletown, Pa.
Robert G. Hall, James, Ala.
Alt. Wm. F. Feagin, Midway, Ala.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

CAMP S. B. LUCE, FISHER'S ISLAND.

The camp is nearly over, and Aug. 31 will see the last of it. Col. M. P. Miller, Adjutant, Lieut. Whipple, have gone to Fort Niagara in connection with the Division rifle competitions, and Capt. Chas. Morris, 5th U. S. Art., is now commanding the camp. The band of the 4th U. S. Art., has played "Home, Sweet Home," and gone to Fort Adams. Batteries E and H, 5th Art., leave Aug. 24, and C, K, and L, Aug. 27 for N. Y. Harbor. Bat. A, 4th Art., will go to Fort Trumbull about Aug. 29. On Aug. 29 we shall be reinforced by four batteries of the 4th from Fort Adams, but their stay will be short. The camp has been very successful and well managed, but let me tell you, confidentially, we have had enough of it and are glad to get to our "respective stations," as the orders have it.

PONS.

FORT OMAHA, NEB.

THE *Excelsior* of Aug. 18 says:

Lieut. Earl returned Wednesday after an absence of a month. He is looking well and received a cordial welcome.

On Friday quite a party visited the rifle competition and had a very merry, enjoyable time; also on Monday, when the prizes were awarded. The officers from the competition have visited among us a great deal since they have been at Bellevue. Among those best known are Lieuts. Gregg, Dwyer, Buck, Jones, and Parke.

On Thursday morning, Aug. 18, six companies (one column) under command of Lieut.-Col. Joshua A. Fletcher, started for their long march to Kearney, a distance of nearly 200 miles. The band accompanied them half a mile playing "The girl I left behind me." The other column leaves on Saturday.

On Monday evening a party was given Miss Willard by Lieut. and Mrs. Sarson at the ball. Every one seemed joyous and to enter into the spirit of the thing "till the wee sma' hours, when the band played "Home, Sweet Home." Capt. and Mrs. Hughes, of Fort Robinson, were among the guests.

On Saturday many ladies and gentlemen gathered by invitation at Dr. Haskin's to a "musical," given in honor of

Miss Haskin, his niece, of San Francisco, who is an excellent musician. Those taking part were Mrs. Gen. Weston, Lieut. Kinzie, Miss Franko (who comes weekly to give Mrs. Whenton and Miss Muldoon vocal lessons), Miss Haskin, and Miss Waring. Miss Haskin rendered two or three beautiful pieces, selections from Gottschalk and others.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

SACKETT'S HARBOR, N. Y.

Mrs. COL. MASON, of Sackett's Harbor, gave a reception on Thursday evening, and the old camp mansion presented a brilliant appearance. Madison Barracks was well represented by Col. and Mrs. Bush, Dr. and Mrs. Comegys, Capt. and Mrs. Gilbreath and Miss Gilbreath, Capt. and Mrs. Mattie and Miss Somman, Lieut. Irvine, Mansfield, Penrose, Hirst, Weigel and many others. Those from the hotels were Lieut. and Mrs. Tyler, Miss Barney, Mrs. Reilly, Dr. Le Boutillier, Mrs. King, Mrs. Acheson, Mrs. Kimball, Mr. Acheson, Col. Camp, Miss Pardu and a host of others. Mrs. Weigel was a guest of the house. Dancing was in order for the evening, the music for which was furnished by the 11th Inf. Band. The uniforms of the officers, together with the handsome dresses of the ladies, made a picturesque sight as they strolled about the spacious grounds enjoying the moonlight.

OBITU.

BASE BALL AT DENVER.

THE *Kansas City Times* has an amusing account of a recent base ball game between the garrison of the post near Denver and a nine selected by Col. Cook, general passenger agent, etc., Missouri Pacific Railway. Col. G. K. Brady, U. S. A., post commander, made up his nine with himself pitcher; Lieut. Smoke, catcher; Quartermaster Griffith, short stop; Post Surgeon Richard, first base; Sergt. Ford, second base; Capt. Baldwin, left field; Sergt. Radford, third base; Sergt. Pratt, centre field, and Depp, right field. The Sheridans were sent to the bat and Col. Brady took a position at the "front," where he has often led many a gallant crew to victory.

"Make him get off the base!" yelled Col. Cook at the umpire. "I'm liable to 'shoot' this ball through him if he stands there."

As the umpire was about to instruct the batter to stand on the side of the base in the proper position, Col. Brady replied, sarcastically:

"Fire away! I'll send your base of supplies—that pea ball far over the outskirts of our enemies."

Pleasantries in the same strains followed.

LOSS OF THE GENERAL TERRY.

THE *Pioneer Press* referring to the sinking of the *General Terry* at Omaha in June last says: "The passengers were saved, but the boat and baggage were a total loss. After a 10 days' parley the Union Pacific Company paid for the baggage, and took receipts from the losers. The disaster was the fault of the railroad company, and failing to come to time and meet the losses incurred through its negligence, the steamboat people have just sued the railroad company in the United States Court at Omaha for loss and damage sustained in the sum of \$115,000. The railroad company are to blame, for the reason they constructed their new bridge without reference to the law governing the length of spans, making the distances between piers too short, and failing to remove the old piers half way between the new."

WILLET'S POINT, N. Y.

PRIVATE ARTHUR DOUGLAS, Co. A, Battalion of Engineers, mysteriously disappeared Aug. 7. Aug. 16 an old German picking elderberries in the woods at College Point discovered the body of a man, and the remains were identified as those of Private Douglas. The post mortem disclosed that the soldier had died from a dose of rat poison, apparently taken with suicidal intent. Sergt. John Duffy, Co. A, said that Private Douglas was 38 years old, and had been stationed at Willet's Point about three years. He was a native of England and took part in the Riel rebellion. He lost a wife and two children recently and became morose and melancholy.

POST NEAR DENVER, COL.

THE *Kansas City Times* says: "The foundations for two of the new buildings at the post near Denver are up, and the excavations to five other structures completed. Capt. Campbell is on deck from early in the morning until late at night supervising the work. The Government can depend that it will give the worth of every dollar that goes into the construction of the buildings at that post as long as L. E. Campbell is around."

GIVE THE CAVALRY A CHANCE.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

THERE seems to be a desire on the part of the President to equalize staff appointments among the three arms of the Service, but in some way he has arrived at erroneous figures in the matter. If we take the Army Register of last January and charge each officer who came to the staff from the line, to the arm from which he came we will find as follows:

General officers.	Cavalry	1	Artillery	0	Infantry	7
A. G.	3	"	6	"	8	"
Inspr.	3	"	1	"	2	"
J. A.	0	"	1	"	2	"
Q. M.	4	"	16	"	19	"
Sub. Dept.	1	"	9	"	12	"
Pay Dept.	2	"	1	"	7	"
Signal Corps	1	"	"	"	"	"
Total	15		34		57	

To this may be added the lieutenants who have served a short time in the line prior to transfer to ordnance or engineers, but this will only increase the average against the cavalry.

If we take the same list, going back only to the consolidation of 1870, we have:

General officers.	Cavalry	1	Artillery	0	Infantry	5
A. G.	2	"	1	"	3	"
I. G.	2	"	1	"	2	"
J. A.	0	"	1	"	1	"
Q. M.	3	"	8	"	14	"
Sub. Dept.	1	"	1	"	4	"
Pay Dept.	2	"	1	"	6	"
Signal Corps	1	"	"	"	"	"
Total	12		13		35	

These figures are capable of easy verification, and they show that the cavalry is far in the rear in matter of such appointments.

THE NAVY.

NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

N. Atlantic Station.—Rear Admiral S. B. Luce.
ATLANTA, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain Francis M. Bunce. At New York Navy-yard to be fitted out for a foreign cruise. Expects to be ready in September.

GALENA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. Colby M. Chester. Arrived at Norfolk Yard August 21. After receiving coal and stores will proceed to Port au Prince, Hayti, in obedience to Dept. order to look after American interests.

OSSISPEE, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. W. B. Hoff. Reported by cable to have arrived at Halifax, N. S., Aug. 23.

PENSACOLA, 2d rate, 16 guns, Captain Arthur R. Yates. At Norfolk. To undergo repairs necessary to fit her for the flagship of the North Atlantic Squadron. Repairs will be finished probably in January.

YANTIC, 3d rate, 4 guns, (temporary flagship of the squadron.) Comdr. O. F. Heyerman. At Boston, Mass., Aug. 23.

S. Atlantic Station.—Rear Adml. D. L. Braine.
Capt. Jas. H. Gills will command the station per steamer of Sept. 22.

Mails should be addressed to the care of the U. S. Consul, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, unless otherwise noted.

ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander G. W. Pizman. Arrived at Montevideo, Aug. 9, from Punta Arenas.

SWATARA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. J. McGowan, Jr. Sailed for the South Atlantic Station. Aug. 18 for Rio.

TALLAPOOSA, 3d rate, 6 guns, (f. s. a. s.), Comdr. F. W. Dickens. Arrived at Rosario, July 11.

European Station.—A. R.—Adml. Jas. A. Greer.
Mails should be addressed to care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England, unless otherwise noted.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. B. H. McCalla. Reported at St. Petersburg, Russia, July 22.

LANCASTER, 2d rate, 10 guns, f. s. e. s., Capt. T. F. Kane. At Gibraltar July 23, as reported by cable.

QUINNEBAUG, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. W. M. Folger. Comdr. Chas. H. Davis ordered to command on Sept. 4. At Trieste June 23.

Pacific Station.—Rear Adml. L. A. Kimberly.
Address all mail (with the exception of the *Trenton* and *Nipsic*) until further orders, to care of Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

ADAMS, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Richard P. Leary. At Honolulu May 1. All well. Expecting orders to return to Samoa. Mail matter for the vessel should be sent in care U. S. Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. Ordered to San Francisco for new crew and officers; also for repairs.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. J. D. Graham. Reported to have sailed August 14 from Callao for Honolulu.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, 1 gun, Comdr. George F. F. Wilde. Arrived at Acapulco, Mexico, July 24. Upon arrival at Honolulu will be temporary flagship of the squadron.

MONONGARELA, sails, 2 guns, Store Ship. Commander S. H. Baker. At San Francisco, Cal. Will be overhauled and cleaned, and sent to Pacific Station as storeship, with headquarters at Payta, Peru.

NIPSIC, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. D. W. Mullan. Mail should be addressed in care U. S. Consul, Panama, U. S. C. Arrived at Callao, Peru, June 13. Department cabled her to remain at that port until further orders.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers, Lieut. Comdr. John S. Newell. At Sitka, Alaska.

TRENTON, 3d rate, 10 guns, Capt. N. H. Farquhar. At Callao July 31, where she is detained by wish of State Dept. Address mail to care U. S. Consul, Panama, U. S. C.

VANDALIA, 2d rate, 8 guns, (f. s. p. s.), Capt. C. M. Schoonmaker. At Honolulu, June 23, and will be ordered to San Francisco upon the arrival of her relief, the *Dolphin*.

Asiatic Station.—Rear Adml. Ralph Chandler.
Mails should be addressed, Yokohama, Japan, unless otherwise noted. Steamer leaves San Francisco for Yokohama, Aug. 30.

BROOKLYN, 2d rate, 14 guns, Captain Byron Wilson. Left Yokohama, Japan, for New York, Aug. 4. Towed in Nagasaki, Japan, Aug. 14, with after crank shaft broken beyond repair, and forward shaft cracked. To proceed to New York under sail.

ESSEX, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. T. F. Jewell. At Hakodati, Japan, July 26.

JUNIATA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. W. C. Wise. At Chemulpo, Korea, July 26. Orders issued to send the *Juniata* home via Suez Canal. Can be expected home in December.

MARION, 3d rate, 8 guns, f. s. a. s. Comdr. N. M. Dyer. At Yokohama, Japan, July 26.

MONOCACY, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Henry Glass. At Yokohama, Japan, July 26, awaiting orders of Navy Department. She will be condemned and sold on station. Comdr. Glass was ordered home Aug. 23.

OMAHA, 2d rate, 12 guns, Captain F. V. McNair. Ordered by Department, June 20, to remain at Honolulu until arrival of cadets assigned to her. Advice of Aug. 13 state that she was under orders on that date to proceed to Yokohama, Japan.

PALOS, 4th rate, 7 howitzers, Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Craig. Left Chefoo for Kobe, Japan, July 24.

RICHMOND, 2d rate, 14 guns, Capt. Robt. Boyd. At Navy-yard, New York, to be fitted out as the flagship of the Asiatic Station. Capt. A. V. Reed will command on Sept. 10.

On Special Service.

AND AWAITING ASSIGNMENT.

CONSTELLATION, sails, 10 guns, Commander

P. F. Harrington. Arrived at Hampton Roads Aug. 23. Upon landing officers and cadets at Naval Academy will return to Norfolk, and take crew of *Jamestown* from receiving ship *Franklin*, proceed to Portsmouth, N. H. She will then be used as a training ship for the Naval apprentices. Comdr. C. J. Train will command on Aug. 31.

DEPARTURE, 4th rate, Lieut. W. S. Cowles. Sailed from Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 23, for Bar Harbor, Me.

VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The training ship *Saratoga* has been ordered from Newport to Portsmouth, N. H., Navy-yard, and will be put out of commission.

The *Jamestown* arrived at the Norfolk Navy-yard on Aug. 20. The ship will be put in thorough repair preparatory for a winter's cruise in the West Indies.

The *Dolphin* is due at Honolulu this week. As soon after her arrival as possible, probably within a week, the *Vandalia* will sail for San Francisco, and if she has a smooth passage ought to arrive there Sept. 25.

The accounting officers of the Treasury will have several hundred additional claims of naval officers for longevity pay, under the Mullan and Baker decisions, to certify to the Senate for incorporation in the General Deficiency bill by the time that measure reaches the Senate from the House.

ENCOURAGED by the authorization and rapid progress of the Manchester Ship Canal, the Corporation of Sheffield have taken the first step towards a similar project, and Parliament is likely soon to be asked to sanction a ship canal from that town to the Humber, as a means of direct and cheap communication with the sea.

A BOARD of Engineer officers of the Navy, consisting of Chief Engineer S. D. Hibbert, Passed Asst. Engineers J. A. B. Smith, Wm. Rowbotham, and A. B. Canaga, Asst. Engineer J. W. Annan, and Cadet Engineer B. C. Sampson, have been ordered to meet at Wilmington, Del., for duty in connection with the steam trial of the double-turreted monitor *Amphitrite*.

The First Comptroller of the Treasury has decided that a naval officer detailed to civil duties is not entitled to mileage in the performance of those duties, but is entitled to all other just and reasonable expenses incurred. The case in point was that of Passed Asst. Engineer Reeve, detailed for duty with the Fish Commission, who was sent from Washington to Cincinnati for duty at the Exposition.

The report of the Board of Navy Officers on the revisions of the ratings, etc., of petty officers and enlisted men of the Navy has been referred by Secretary Whitney to Commodore Schley, who will soon prepare the necessary order and regulations for putting the recommendations into effect. The board recommends many changes in the rating and pay of both petty officers and seamen. They propose to divide the present grades into three classes, to be known as the seamen's class, the special class and artificer class. In each instance the board submits lengthy reasons for the changes recommended. Torpedo mates comprise some of the new names proposed.

ORDERS have been issued to put the *Jamestown*, now at the Navy Yard, Norfolk, out of commission, all of the crew who shipped for the cruise, all appointed men, and men who have less than one month to serve, will be discharged. The remainder will be transferred to the receiving ship *Franklin*, until the arrival of the *Constellation*, which ship is expected to arrive at Norfolk about September 1. She is now in the practice cruise with the cadets. All of the *Jamestown's* crew who are not discharged will be sent in the *Constellation* to the Portsmouth, N. H., Navy Yard, where she will be used as receiving ship. When the repairs on the *Jamestown* are finished, which will take about two months, and for which an estimated expenditure of \$12,000 will be allowed, the ship will proceed to Philadelphia, Penn., and be turned over to the State of Pennsylvania to be used as a State school ship.

NAVY GAZETTE.

Ordered.

Aug. 11.—P. A. Engineers J. A. B. Smith, William Rowbotham and A. B. Canaga, Assistant Engineer J. W. Annan and Cadet Engineer B. C. Sampson, to report to Chief Engineer S. D. Hibbert for duty in connection with the steam trial of the *Amphitrite*.

Aug. 14.—P. A. Engineer G. B. Hanson, to duty at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wis., September 1 next.

P. A. Engineer W. C. Eaton, to duty at the Madison University, at Hamilton, N. Y., September 1 next.

P. A. Engineer T. F. Burgdorf, to duty at the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, Tenn., September 1 next.

Aug. 18.—Gunner Samuel Cross, to the receiving ship *Dale*.

Aug. 21.—Commander Thomas Nelson, to the Navy yard, Mare Island, Cal., for such duty as may be assigned him by the commandant.

Lieutenant-Commander Louis Kingsley, to the Richmond.

Sailmaker Herman Hansen, to the receiving ship *Vermont*.

Aug. 22.—Lieutenants Richard Wainwright and Templin M. Potts and Ensign Harry Phelps, to the Naval Academy, August 25.

Chaplain Walter G. Isaacs, to the Richmond on September 15.

Aug. 24.—Commander James H. Gillis, to command the South Atlantic Station, per steamer of September 22, and he is appointed acting rear admiral from the day he assumes command.

Captain Allen V. Reed, to command the Richmond, September 10.

Assistant Surgeon F. B. Cordeiro and P. A. Engineer Wm. A. Mitzer, to the Mohican.

Lieutenant Alex. McCrackin, to the Naval Academy, September 20.

Lieutenant J. O. Nicolson, to the Richmond, September 15.

Lieutenant S. A. Staunton, to temporary duty at the Naval War College.

Detached.

Aug. 13.—Lieutenant E. P. Wood, from the Naval Academy and ordered to temporary duty at the Naval War College.

Aug. 21.—Lieutenant-Commander T. A. Lyons, from the Richmond on the reporting of his relief, proceed home and regard himself as on waiting orders.

Aug. 22.—Commander P. F. Harrington, Lieutenant-Commander C. C. Todd, Lieutenants G. P. Colvocoresses, C. E. Colaban, Henry McCrea, R. M. Doyle and H. H. Hosley, Ensigns C. N. Atwater and W. C. P. Muir, Surgeon M. H. Simons and Chaplain E. K. Rawson, from the practice ship *Constellation* on August 31, and ordered to duty at the Naval Academy.

Lieutenant John S. Abbott and Chaplain W. H. Stewart, from the Richmond, September 15, and placed on waiting orders.

Commander Henry Glass, from the command of the *Monocacy*, and ordered to return home and report arrival.

Commander John F. McGlensy, from the Navy-yard, Portsmouth, N. H., and placed on waiting orders.

Lieutenant Charles W. Bartlett, from the Naval Academy, September 1, and ordered to the Ranger, October 1.

Lieutenant Giles B. Harber, from the Tallapoosa, and ordered to return home and report arrival.

Lieutenant A. C. Dillingham, from the Richmond, September 15, and ordered to the Pensacola.

Lieutenant A. P. Nazro, from the Richmond, September 15, and ordered to the receiving ship *Minnesota*.

Lieutenant O. G. Dodge, from the Portsmouth, and placed on waiting orders.

Lieutenants W. J. Barnette, J. T. Smith, G. W. Tyler, Charles R. Miles, D. H. Mahan and J. O. Nicolson, and Ensigns John H. Gibbons and Harry S. Knapp, from the Naval Academy, September 1, and placed on waiting orders.

Ensigns Albert L. Key and John M. Poyer, from duty in the Bureau of Navigation, August 31, and ordered to the Richmond, September 10.

Ensign J. M. Elliott, from the Ranger, and ordered to duty in the Bureau of Navigation.

Ensign Edward Lloyd, from duty on the Coast Survey, and ordered to the Boston.

P. A. Surgeon A. C. H. Russell, from the *Constellation*, August 31, and ordered to the Naval Academy, September 1.

Assistant Paymaster Willis B. Wilcox, from the *Constellation*, August 31, ordered to settle accounts, then wait orders.

Sailmaker John C. Herbert, from the Richmond and ordered to the Pensacola.

Sailmaker John A. Long, from the Pensacola and ordered to the Richmond.

Aug. 24.—Rear Admiral D. L. Braine, from the command of the South Atlantic Station on reporting of his relief, and ordered home.

Captain R. Boyd, from the command of the Richmond, September 10, and placed on waiting orders.

Commander J. B. Coglian, from the Navy-yard, Mare Island, and ordered to command the Mohican.

Commander Chas. J. Train, from the command of the *Jamestown*, August 31, and ordered to command the *Constellation*.

Lieutenant-Commander J. N. Hemphill, from the *Jamestown*, August 31, and ordered to the *Constellation*, September 1, as executive.

Lieutenant J. M. Helm, from the *Saratoga* and ordered to the Coast Survey.

Lieutenant F. E. Sawyer, from the Hydrographic Office and ordered to duty on the South Atlantic Station.

Ensign John Hood, from the Mohican and placed on waiting orders.

P. A. Surgeon S. H. Dickson, from the Marine Headquarters, Washington, and ordered to the Richmond, September 25.

Chaplain F. B. Rose, from the Naval Academy, September 10, and ordered to the receiving ship *New Hampshire*.

Ensign John S. Watters, from the Atlanta and ordered to report for temporary duty to the branch Hydrographic Office, New York, and on September 15 will be detached and assume charge of the branch Hydrographic Office, New Orleans.

Commander Edwin White, from command of the Portsmouth, and waiting orders.

Lieutenant-Commander W. H. Parker, from the Portsmouth, and placed on waiting orders.

The remaining officers of the *Jamestown* are detached and ordered to the *Constellation*.

The officers of the Portsmouth and *Saratoga* are detached and ordered home.

Ensign R. Campbell Smith from Naval Academy Sept. 15 and placed on waiting orders.

Lieutenants F. S. Carter and W. H. Turner from the Portsmouth and placed on waiting orders.

Leave.

Assistant Engineer W. H. Chambers, one month from August 16.

Pay Inspector A. S. Kenney and Chief Engineer E. D. Robie, one month from August 21.

Paymaster Albert Bacon, two weeks leave from August 15.

Surgeon Geo. A. Bright, month of September.

Assistant Naval Constructor S. W. Armistead, one month from August 20.

The leave of Lieutenant Charles A. Adams has been extended to November 1.

Medical Inspector H. M. Wells, in charge of the Museum of Naval Hygiene at Washington, has been granted leave until September 5.

The following officers of the Navy have been granted leave during the week ending August 25:

Mate J. W. Baxter, one month from September 5.

P. A. Surgeon S. H. Dickson, one month from August 20.

Captain George C. Remy, one month from August 28.

Lieutenant Fred. Singer, one month from August 18.

Surgeon W. S. Dixon and Lieutenant Willie Swift, one month from September 6.

Medical Inspector N. L. Bates, two weeks from August 24.

Ensign L. L. Martin, 25 days from August 25.

Lieutenant William P. Elliott, one month from August 20.

Lieutenant-Commander J. M. Forsyth, during the month of September.

Lieutenant N. E. Mason, one month from September 17.

Chief Engineer N. B. Towne, one month from August 25.

Paymaster L. G. Boggs, one month from August 25.

Lieutenant Frank A. Wilner, during the month of September.

Leave for the month of September has been granted Lieutenants C. K. Curtis and F. E. Sawyer, Professor Edgar Fishy, Assistant Naval Constructor D. W. Taylor and Ensign J. B. Bernadou, all of the Navy.

CASUALTIES.

Deaths reported to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for the two weeks ending Aug. 24, 1888:

John T. Flannelly, private marine, attached to the Omaha, died July 22, at the Queen's Hospital Honolulu.

Michael McQuade, beneficiary, died Aug. 7, at the Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

Robert Perry, master-at-arms, attached to the Adama, died on board, July 12.

H. E. Greene, seaman apprentice, died August 10, at Naval Hospital, New York.

MARINE CORPS.

Aug. 22.—2d Lieutenant F. J. Moses, now attached to the Mohican, will shortly be ordered to duty at the Washington Navy-yard.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROACH CRUISERS.

By the aid of an express wagon, the reply of the Navy Department to the Chandler resolution in regard to the construction of the Roach cruisers was transmitted to the Senate Aug. 21. This mammoth budget of information comprises over 30,000 pages of manuscript and when printed will make the largest public document ever put into type. Fourteen clerks were engaged seven months in its completion. It contains copies of every paper in the Department relating to the matters covered by the three resolutions, the first of which called for everything relating to the construction of the so-called Roach cruisers and the *Miantonomoh*; the second for all the contracts entered into by the Department since 1880, and the third for a statement of all the plans for vessels purchased from foreign countries and adopted since 1885. In the letter of transmittal, Secretary Whitney says, in answer to that portion of the resolution concerning the purchase of plans, etc., for naval vessels from abroad, that \$6,000 was agreed upon as the price for the working drawings of the *Texas*, payable on the completion and acceptance of the drawings. This sum yet remains to be paid, the delivery of the drawings, although in progress, not yet having been completed. While all information on the subject of foreign vessels possessed by the Department is made available to its own officers, it is largely received through confidential sources and it is not, in the judgment of the Secretary, compatible with the public interests that such information should be made public to the extent of designating all plans, designs, etc., purchased or procured in foreign countries, or the persons from whom they have been obtained.

OPPOSED TO NEPOTISM.

The Washington correspondent of the *New York Herald* reports the following as a conversation which a well-known gentleman had with President Cleveland on Thursday of last week concerning Army appointments in general and the prospective vacancy in the Subsistence Department in particular:

"On entering office," said the President, "I found that it had been customary to fill staff positions and other places like this by the appointment of relatives, of personal friends, of the appointing power or of politicians. In fact, the most flagrant nepotism prevailed. Old men who had arrived almost at the age of retirement were appointed from civilian life to positions which officers who had served in the Army for years should have received. Second lieutenants, fresh from West Point, and men with strong political backing were pushed into staff positions, and far more deserving and meritorious officers were ignored. The Army was made the tool of politicians. I determined to stop it."

"When I have left the Presidency," Mr. Cleveland added, emphatically, "I hope that I shall have put the appointments to the Army in such a position that no subsequent Administration will ever dare revert to former practices."

"These so-called 'soft places' belong to long and meritorious service. Would it be right to pass over 1st and 2d lieutenants, who have served from fifteen to twenty years without even reaching a captaincy, and appoint to this vacancy a young 2d lieutenant who has served but six years? Yet that is what I am asked to do. There are over sixty applications for this place, and I do not know of a recent appointment which has caused more annoyance or made me more enemies than this one will. There is a young 2d lieutenant, the one of whom I spoke, who had the strongest possible political and social backing. It was necessary to tell his friends that he could not have the place. By doing so I have made many enemies. But it would have been wrong to promise him the appointment."

"I have sent to all the department commanders and to the Adjutant General, asking who is best fitted and most deserving of this place. I do not want to see the man who will get it. He will be appointed on his record. The man who is found, on consultation and comparison of the recommendations to be most deserving and best fitted will get the place. This is my view of the way to fill staff positions in the Army and I shall adhere to it. The patronage of the Army has been looked upon and treated as a perquisite of the President under past administrations. It will not be by me."

REVENUE MARINE.

3d Lieut. G. L. Carden assigned to temporary duty on steamer Bibb at Oswego, N. Y.

1st Lieut. W. A. Failing, attached to steamer Seward, granted 30 days' leave from Sept. 1.

3d Lieut. C. B. Fungar, attached to steamer Woodbury, granted 30 days' leave from Sept. 1.

1st Asst. Engr. W. H. Warren, attached to steamer Wm. E. Smith, granted 30 days' leave from Sept. 4.

The Revenue steamer *Rush*, Capt. L. G. Shepard, arrived at Olanok, Alaska, on July 16, relieving the steamer *Bear*, the latter ship proceeding on her cruise on the Alaskan coast under orders of the Rev. Marine Bureau.

Owing to scarcity of naval officers, the Navy Department has decided not to grant any more leave of absence for more than one month.

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ADMIRAL PORTER, in a letter to Senator Hoar, on the fishery question, says: "The crews of our ships of war are generally made up of men from all parts of the world, largely from the Scandinavian race, who do not care what flag they serve under. These are the descendants of the Huns, Goths, and other barbarians who once overran Europe. They enlist in our Navy softened in character, but still free lances, as of old. They serve for money, with no sentiment for flag or nationality, and possibly, if it came to an action with a ship of their own or a neighboring nation, they would haul down the American flag and hoist that of their own country."

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CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

Those optimistic gentlemen whose theory of government for the Great American Republic excludes the contingency of war are respectfully invited to read in the light of history the message on the fisheries question this week sent to Congress by President Cleveland. It is a most statesmanlike document and demonstrates the capacity of the President to adjust his action to the necessities of any given situation. Without entering into the discussion as to the merits of the treaty with Great Britain which the Senate has rejected, it is obvious that the action President Cleveland has taken of necessity follows the Senate's action. But should the answer by Congress be a refusal to recognize the just demands of the military service? We have entered upon one of those by-paths which have been found so often to lead to war. To dispute with another nation as to our respective rights and duties; to threaten by Executive proclamation to strike a vital blow at interests which are recognized by our antagonists as important—what is this but to declare that we are ready for the ultimate argument of nations if an appeal to it becomes necessary?

"Plainly stated," says the President in his message to Congress, "the policy of national retaliation manifestly embraces the infliction of the greatest harm upon those who have injured us, with the least possible damage to ourselves. And above all things the plan of retaliation, if entered upon, should be thorough and vigorous." Is it to be expected that Canada will accept without protest this declared purpose to injure her; and what is the logic of the situation if the retort be still further infringements upon the rights of our citizens? The President further declares with emphasis: "The course which I have outlined, and the recommendations made relate to the honor and dignity of our country and the protection and preservation of the rights and interests of all our people. A Government does but half its duty when it protects its citizens at home and permits them to be imposed upon and humiliated by the unfair and overreaching disposition of other nations." How are we to maintain this position? Is it by leaving our Army without the necessary provision for its support, our sea-ports without defense, and invite aggression by declaring in effect that while we are willing to provoke it we are not disposed to provide against it? "Willing to wound but yet afraid to strike." "To be prepared for war," our first President declared in a speech to Congress, Jan. 8, 1790, "is one of the most effectual ways of preserving peace."

It is most meet we arm us against the foe
For peace itself should not so dull a kingdom
But that defenses, munitions, preparations,
Should be maintained, assembled and collected,
As were a war in preparation.

A TITLE page of Volume XXV. of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL is completed with this number, and will be sent without charge to those desiring it for binding.

WORK IN THE NAVY.

WHILE the good work of building new vessels of war progresses, the old wooden ships are not being entirely neglected. At the various yards considerable work is being done in the way of rebuilding and repairing a number of these now old but still useful crafts. At the Portsmouth, N. H., yard, the *Kearsarge* is being extensively repaired and will be ready for her officers October 1. The estimated cost of the repairs to this ship will be \$47,792.26. At the same yard the training ships *Saratoga* and *Portsmouth* will be entirely rebuilt, at an estimated cost of \$68,000, and will be ready about the first of the year. At the New York yard, the *Richmond* is fitting out, ultimately to be the flagship of the Asiatic Station, and will cost, when completed, \$20,596.94. She will be ready for sea in about two months from the present time.

At the Norfolk yard, the *Pensacola*, which will be flagship of the North Atlantic Squadron, is being repaired, and the estimated cost to complete her entire is \$27,311. She will be ready in about five months. This ship will receive an entire new set of boilers, which are now being forwarded from the Washington Navy-yard, where they have been in store for some time.

The double turreted monitor *Puritan* will shortly be sent to the yard to be rebuilt in accordance with an act of Congress approved August 3, 1886. The training ship *Jamestown* will also be repaired at this yard at an estimated cost of \$12,000 and be ready in about three months. At the Mare Island yard the greatest amount of work is being done. The *Iroquois* is nearly ready and her estimated cost when finished will be \$29,400. She will be ready for sea Sept. 15. The steamship *Monongahela* is also being overhauled and repaired at this station at an estimated cost of \$25,000. She will be sent again to the South Pacific as storeship of the station, with headquarters at Payta, Peru. She will be ready Oct. 1.

The surveying steamer *Ranger* is being fitted for one year's service on the Pacific coast at an outlay of \$9,200 and is now ready to proceed with her work. The *Mohican* is now in the dry dock and after some slight repairs are put on to enable the ship to leave the dock she will be repaired at an estimated cost of \$14,800 and be ready in sixty days.

The *Vandalia* and *Adams* of the Pacific Squadron are now on their way to the Mare Island yard for repairs and it is expected both ships will be there by the middle of October. The double turreted monitor *Monadnock* is being rebuilt also at the California yard at an estimated cost of \$600,000 and will be ready in about two years.

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL.

THE Army is likely to be left in a sad plight through the contest that has arisen between the Military and Appropriation Committees on the Army Appropriation bill. The indications now are that that measure will not become a law for weeks, perhaps months, and possibly not at all during the present session. Doubtless another emergency resolution will be enacted, as the present one expires Sept. 1. Even if the appropriations are extended, considerable embarrassment and annoyance must ensue, for there are many important expenditures in the pending bill that cannot be incurred under an emergency resolution.

The report of the Conference Committee on the bill was adopted by the Senate with but little opposition, but upon reaching the House it soon became apparent that the Appropriation Committee would be able to defeat it. A vote taken by the House on Thursday after a prolonged wrangle between members of the two committees, resulted in the rejection of the Conference Committee's report, the vote being 38 to 61. This action leaves the measure in a very embarrassing position. Further conference cannot possibly result in changing the recommendations rejected by the House, for the Senate members will under no circumstances yield, and the House members are not desirous that they should. Another meeting is therefore unnecessary. Thus the bill must rest in its present unsettled condition until the House gets in a humor to pass it, or otherwise it will fail altogether.

THE House after spending two days in debate on a point of order raised against section 6 of the Fortifications bill, which creates a board on defence to make contracts to the extent of \$13,000,000 for heavy guns, struck it out finally and passed the bill without it, leaving the total amount contained in the bill at \$3,725,000 for the following purposes: For general protection and repair of fortifications, \$10,000; for construction of sea walls and earth embankments, \$17,000; for torpedoes for harbor defence, \$200,000; for manufacture or purchase and test a carriage and cannon, projectiles, etc., \$400,000; to complete the guns now under fabrication, \$158,000; for erection of gun foundry at Watervliet Arsenal, \$750,000; for purchase of steel forgings for heavy guns, \$1,500,000; for 12-inch breech loading rifled mortar, \$500,000.

LABOUCHERE tells us in *London Truth* that Queen Victoria of England "has expressed her opinion in the strongest possible terms that her grandson has behaved very badly towards his mother; that he has insulted her, and that he has manifested gross disrespect towards his father's memory by rushing off to join in a series of festivities at a foreign court before the wreaths on the late Emperor's coffin are withered. Her Majesty and the Empress Augusta," says Labouchere, "are in perfect accord on the subject, and the old Empress has espoused the side of her daughter-in-law with great zeal throughout the quarrel."

A DESPATCH from San Antonio gives an account of the recent reunion of ex Confederate veterans in that city and says: "Some of Morgan's men on the morning of Aug. 16, in order to demonstrate that they had not lost their cunning, stole the horses of the United States officers and rode them awhile, then returned them."

THE National Convention of the Universal Peace Union, held last week at Mystic, Conn., was an interesting occasion. Members were present from Europe, Asia and Africa, and one of the speakers styled the convention a parliament of mankind.

IT is heartrending to learn that "three German generals in the service of Turkey have resigned, owing to non-receipt of salary."

RECENT DEATHS.

CAPTAIN CHARLES H. ROCKWELL, 5th U. S. Cav., who died Aug. 21, at St. Elizabeth Asylum, Washington D. C., from paralysis of the brain, entered the Military Academy in 1865, from Ohio, was graduated in 1869, and promoted 2d Lieutenant of the 5th Cavalry, became 1st Lieutenant August 29, 1872, and Captain April 24, 1886. During his nineteen years of service he did much hard frontier and scouting duty, and was present at the fight at Bates Creek, Nov. 25, 1876. He leaves a widow. The remains have been taken to his home in Kent, Ohio, for interment.

CARTER L. STEVENSON, who died Aug. 15, in Caroline County, Va., entered the Military Academy in 1834, was graduated in 1838, promoted to 2d Lieutenant, 6th Infantry, and rose to captain in that regiment, June 10, 1847. He served with credit during the Mexican War and until 1861, when he was dismissed for disloyalty. He then joined the Confederate service and rose to the command of a division. After the war he engaged in mercantile pursuits.

COLONEL J. BROWN PARKER, who died at Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 17, served during the war on the staff of Governor Andrew G. Curtin. Subsequently he removed to Philadelphia. He was the father of Col. Isaac Parker, a member of General W. S. Hancock's staff, and the father-in-law of the late Commodore John B. Marchand, U. S. N.

MR. JONATHAN R. WINT, father of Captain T. J. Wint, 4th U. S. Cav., died at Scranton, Pa., July 26, in his eightieth year. He had resided in Scranton for many years, and was highly respected.

CAPT. A. P. COOKE, U. S. N., registered at the Gilsey House on Thursday.

THE following Army officers registered at the War Department during the past two weeks: 1st Lieut. H. R. Anderson, 4th Art.; 2d Lieut. John E. McMahon, 4th Art.; 2d Lieut. Henry R. Adams, 25th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Geo. O. Squier, 3d Art.; 1st Lieut. Henry H. Ludlow, 3d Art.; Captain Geo. W. Davis, 14th Inf.; Chaplain G. W. Simpson; 2d Lt. C. DeW. Wilcox, 2d Art.; 1st Lieut. Edgar S. Dudley, 2d Art.; Major M. Barber, A. G.; 1st Lieut. Robt. W. Dowdy, 17th Inf.; 2d Lieut. M. F. Harmon, 1st Art.; 2d Lieut. J. B. Bellinger, 5th Cav.; Surgeon R. H. White, U. S. A., and Brig.-Gen. Roger Jones, Insp.-Gen.

THE following Navy officers registered at the Navy Department for the two weeks ending Aug. 21: Medical Inspector B. H. Kidder, Ensign J. H. L. Holcombe, Passed Assistant Engineer T. F. Burdett, Assistant Naval Constructors S. W. Armistead and D. W. Taylor, Passed Assistant Paymaster James E. Cann, Passed Assistant Paymaster George A. Deering, Chief Engineer H. W. Fitch, Paymaster John R. Carmody, Assistant Paymaster Thomas J. Cowie, Lieutenants T. M. Potts and H. C. Hanus, and Ensign Joseph L. Jayne.

THE HAZING CASES.

OWING to a failure in the mail we did not receive the order in the case of the cadets whose punishment for hazing has been commuted, until too late for publication last week. The President's order is as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Washington, August 15, 1888.

In the matter of the Courts-martial of Wiley S. Embrey, Arthur L. Willard, George Richards, Bernard H. Cauden, Charles W. Lyke, Hon. R. Blower, Richard H. Leigh, Timothy F. Maurin and George H. Shepard, naval cadets, tried for hazing.

The naval cadets above named have been found guilty by a Court-martial of hazing, and thereupon the Court has recommended their dismissal from the service. Before this recommendation is fully acted on and their dismissal ordered an application is made for Executive clemency.

The offence of which the accused have been convicted is an unmanly and cowardly one, which for all reasons deserves the severest condemnation. Any cadet who hopes to achieve an honorable place in the Navy, and who appreciates that not only knowledge but gentlemanly behavior is necessary to his success ought to feel that he disgraces himself by the unfair and bullying conduct which always characterizes hazing. The excuse sometimes suggested that those who hazing are themselves subjected to the same treatment upon their entrance to the service is a foolish and unworthy plea which ought not to be for a moment regarded.

The Congress has shown its condemnation of this offence by the enactment of a law expressly punishing its commission by dismissal from the service and preventing reinstatement so far as a law of Congress can do so. And while the constitutional power of the Executive to pardon the offence or commute the punishment still remains, it is manifest that its exercise is opposed to the policy of the law and should as a general rule be withheld.

These considerations and the further one that I am in entire sympathy with the purposes of the act and entirely willing to aid in any manner the prevention of the practice of hazing, has made it exceedingly difficult for me to consider the applications for clemency which have been addressed to me by the friends of the parties under conviction. I have not done so without consultation with those in charge of the Naval Academy, who, while determined to suppress occurrences of this nature, evince a generous consideration for the accused.

It appears that notwithstanding the law on the subject and the efforts made to suppress and punish this offence, it has continued to quite an extent, so that perhaps its frequency with the knowledge of the cadets, has obscured its serious nature and consequences. The proceedings which resulted in these convictions are by far the most determined efforts which have been made to enforce the law and prevent the commission of the offence which it denounces.

The convicted cadets, all or most of them, stand well in their class and bid fair, if given an opportunity to complete their course, to be useful to the service. The specific charges of which they have been convicted, though bad enough and entirely inexcusable, do not involve any actual brutality or extreme violence. The consequences of the punishment recommended are lasting disgrace and the ruin of honorable careers. I am led to hope that if clemency is shown in these cases, the punishment which the offenders will still suffer, though less than dismissal, will suffice for their correction and as a warning to their fellow cadets.

I have, therefore, determined to modify and commute the sentence of dismissal recommended in each of the cases mentioned, by directing the officers of the Naval Academy to place each of the convicted cadets in confinement upon the *Sanfer* for 30 days, and that they each be deprived of one-half of their annual leave.

In full fairness and justice to all naval cadets, I desire it to be distinctly understood that the clemency granted in these cases is not to be considered a precedent for future Executive interference, that it is the purpose of all charged with duty in the premises to suppress the practice of hazing, that but slight interference with another cadet constituted the offence, and that the severest sentence recommended upon future convictions will be executed.

GROVER CLEVELAND.

This is accompanied by a communication of the Acting Attorney-General, stating that the President has power to commute the sentence, in spite of the rigid requirements of the Act of Congress. It is also accompanied by a communication from the Secretary of the Navy, in which he says:

The thorough manner in which the offence of hazing has been taken hold of and prosecuted in the Academy proper has, I am informed, caused its disappearance; but this dealing with each other on board ship has continued. It has never been taken up in this thorough manner before, and it will, I have no doubt, cause its disappearance on ship-board.

From the manner in which these cases have been treated heretofore there is ground for the supposition that the officers of the Academy have not given it to be understood that cases of this character would be considered as cases worthy of dismissal. The records sent to the Department last year covered four cases, in all of which a verdict of "guilty of hazing" was found, but in one of them only was the cadet recommended to be dismissed. In the other three cases no punishment was inflicted. In these three cases the offences were of quite a similar nature—in one case identical with the charges in the present cases.

No blame attaches to the officers for this apparent unfairness and inequality in their administration of this law, because it has arisen from a mistake as to their powers. I am informed that the supposition at the Academy has been that the Court-martial Boards have no other alternative in these cases but to either recommend dismissal or to drop the matter of punishment and make no recommendation on the subject. A review of the law shows that an adequate punishment less than dismissal could be inflicted with or without the recommendation of the Court-martial, and I fear the failure to punish at all for these offences in 1887 has had much to do with their existence in 1888.

To dismiss nine young men, some of them with the highest standing and of the best promise, with the stigma of ineligibility upon them at the outset of their lives under the circumstances found in these cases is inconsistent with my views of justice and right. But the practice of interfering in any manner with a member of the incoming class is one to be severely condemned, and one that must be stopped entirely. The proceedings already had upon the matter have caused this to be understood among the cadets, and it is believed that a less punishment than dismissal, under the present circumstances, will be more effective in bringing about such result.

GENERAL SHERIDAN'S LIFE INSURANCE.

THERE was recently published a statement that it was discovered among the papers of Gen. Sheridan that a life insurance policy of \$15,000 had been placed for him by his friend, Gen. W. B. Franklin, of Hartford. A friend of the family corrects this, and the correction shows what a generous friend General Sheridan had in his old war comrade, Gen. Alger. It appears that a few years ago Gen. Alger, at that time Governor of Michigan, gave Gen. Sheridan \$10,000 in money, upon condition that it should be invested in a life insurance policy, and that that policy should be kept up for the benefit of his widow. The money was invested in a policy for \$25,000, and inquiry since the death of Gen. Sheridan, at the office of the company was answered by a statement that there had been no default in the payments upon the policy.

ORDNANCE NOTES.

Experiments are being conducted at the Springfield Armory this week with the Rubin magazine gun, under the auspices of a board of ordnance officers, composed of the officers on duty at the armory. One of the inventor's countrymen, an attaché of the Swiss legation, was in attendance. The Schulhof magazine gun, the invention of an Australian by that name, will also be tested by the same board at an early date. The tests are all made in accordance with a prescribed standard prepared by the Ordnance Department and when completed the detailed reports will be forwarded to the authorities at Washington.

From England a correspondent who is exceptionally well informed upon the subject writes us as follows: "Solid steel armor has been losing ground rapidly of late. The Italian Government which is seriously committed to steel, inasmuch as it has installed large works in Italy for the manufacture of armor on the Creusot system, is now realizing the errors it has made, and the great sacrifice which the Minister of Marine would have to make to retrace his steps, is the only thing standing in the way of the readoption of compound armor. But this will come, and we believe within a very short time. The Spaniards who but lately armored their ships, the *Pelago*, with steel have certainly abandoned its use, and will take the 'Wilson' compound plate for the cruisers they are just about to build. Sweden is the only other country committed to the use of steel, and we trust that Americans will recognize the truth of this question before they have wasted much money in the manufacture of solid steel armor, as recommended by the Advisory Board."

At the Copenhagen Exhibition is shown the first specimen of a new Swedish rapid-firing gun, designed by Mr. Harald Thronsen and manufactured at the large and celebrated establishment of Finnsjöns Styrkebruk, Sweden. It is capable of firing eighteen shots per minute with one man, while with two men it has a capacity of one shot every forty-second, or thirty shots per minute; calibre forty-seven millimetres; length about fifty-two calibres and the distance from the base of the projectile to the mouth of the barrel 40 calibres. The muzzle velocity is 2141 ft. (657 metres) per second with a charge of 750 grammes of Swedish field-artillery powder; the maximum pressure in the barrel has been 2300 atmospheres. The mechanism is both simple and strong.

Senator Teller has offered as an amendment to the fortification bill, the bill previously introduced by him appropriating \$100,000 for the purchase from the Hurst Reinforce Cartridge and Arms Co. of New Jersey of a number of small arms and rifled siege guns.

Describing the Glasgow International Exhibition the *Engineer* says: Messrs. Cammell and Co. Sheffield, have a large and effective display of their well known specialties. A magnificent forging some 24 tons in weight, intended for the core of a 63-ton breechloading gun, lies along the front of the stand. It is finished bright on the outside and rough bored, with an electric light at one end to facilitate examination of the interior. Behind this is grouped a number of smaller ordnance forgings in various stages of completion, forming portions of an assortment of breechloading rifled guns from 6in. to 13.5in. calibre. Several heavy armor plates are shown, and two tested plates, one of solid iron and the other a Wilson steel-faced plate, proved conclusively the superior resisting power of compound armor. One of Messrs. Cammell's compound plates was severely tested in March last at Portsmouth; and a facsimile model of the plate after being struck by two Palliser and three Heltzer forged steel projectiles at a range of 10 yards will be of interest to war-ship designers. All failed to pierce the plate, which is certainly one of the finest pieces of armor yet made. Other objects of interest are sections of plates and bolts, and above all, supported on the armor plates, a full-sized wooden model of a three throw crank shaft, 60 tons in weight, made for the well known Cunard Steamer *Aurania*.

LATE ARMY ORDERS.

Capt. George S. Anderson, 6th Cav., is designated under the invitation extended by the French Government to witness the manoeuvres of the 3d Army Corps and directed to report to the American Minister at Paris for instructions. Hospital Steward Wm. Saunders and Sergt. Peter Saul, Battery A, 3d Artillery, are placed on the retired list. Leave is granted Surgeon Marcus E. Taylor for four months. (S. O., H. Q. A., Aug. 24.)

FORT LEAVENWORTH.

Some feeling has been created at Fort Leavenworth by the issue of the order which follows:

The officers who were engaged in the noisy disturbances that occurred in about McPherson Hall, August 8, between the hours of 11 and 12 P. M., are hereby notified that such disorderly conduct after taps is not only unsoldierly, but becomes a nuisance to other officers and their families in the vicinity.

This unsoldierly conduct must cease; this nuisance must be abated.

A recurrence of either will bring the remedy—not simply a warning.

Should there have been persons other than officers of the Army engaged in making this disturbance, they, too, are warned that they will be required to observe the rules so necessary at night for the peace and quiet of a well ordered garrison.

By order of Colonel McCook.
(Official.)
The occasion of the order was an entertainment given the evening previous by one of the junior officers, a graduate of the Military Academy class of 1886. During the rifle competition, he and his wife invited a number of his classmates, who happened at the post to an informal entertainment, the company including the two daughters of the commandant, some of the young married people, and several young ladies—daughters of officers of the garrison. They danced, sang some college songs, and, finally, a dashing young cavalry officer—being renowned for his jig dancing—was persuaded to en-

tertain an enthusiastic audience, and did so by indulging in an old-fashioned plantation breakdown. This caused a great deal of merriment among the young people, and—it being summer and the windows open—the early sleepers of the garrison were disturbed by this sound of revelry by night. Hence, the rebuke administered, and which has not been at all relished by its recipients.

(Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.)

INVESTIGATING THE NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.

It is not generally known that a committee appointed some months ago is actively at work on the records of the various bureaus of the Navy Department. Those who have learned the fact do not seem to appreciate the importance of the investigation, perhaps, for the reason that no effort is made to make capital out of the rich finds of the official ferrets. The committee began its labors nearly a year ago. It has up to date investigated the Bureaus of Steam Engineering, Construction and Repair, Provisions and Clothing and Equipment and Recruiting. The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery is not to be disturbed by the committee, the sweeping investigation of that bureau made by Surgeon Van Reypen being regarded as sufficient. Therefore the labors of the committee will have been finished when it has examined the books and files of the Bureaus of Ordnance and Yards and Docks. The latter bureau will not consume much of the committee's time, but the former may. So quietly has this investigation been conducted, that the committee has been enabled to do very effective work. The results of its labors have from time to time been submitted to Secretary Whitney, who evidently has no desire to give them out for publication. It is understood that he intends the information obtained by the committee for private use only.

The result of the investigation at the New York Navy-yard will doubtless be made public as soon as Paymaster Allen makes his final report. The Secretary will pursue this course because some of the misdeeds he is endeavoring to unearth have been perpetrated during his administration. Paymaster Allen, who is conducting this investigation, is considered one of the shrewdest men in the naval service. He is keen and alert, but at the same time honest and just. He makes frequent trips to this city, and always brings a bundle of papers. He holds long consultations with Secretary Whitney and Judge-Advocate General Remy, and then returns to New York to renew his efforts to discover wrongs and wrongdoers.

It is expected that Paymaster Allen will hand his final report to Secretary Whitney some time this week. A condition of affairs has been discovered that is said to exist in every Navy-yard, and if the Secretary sees fit to be severe, he could, it is claimed, make nearly every living officer who ever did duty in a Navy-yard feel decidedly uncomfortable.

The Navy regulations allow officers and men on board ship certain quantities of the supplies the paymaster has allotted him for a cruise. On the return of the vessel the paymaster frequently finds that the amount allowed has not been exhausted. He then turns over the surplus to the store house at the navy-yard, without invoice. The officers in all the yards have been in the habit of using these surplus supplies. Old hard tack has been broken up and fed to the chickens. A little tea has frequently found its way to the teapot of the officer's household. This is what the officers at the New York Navy-yard did. It is only what too many employees of the Government do, if it is not provisions for their table, it is stationery for their writing desks. It is not on record that any one has been punished for taking a sheet of paper or a piece of hard tack. It is said here that it need create no surprise if several of the employees are sent to the penitentiary. One crime was discovered here which alone is sufficient to send the culprit to Albany. It is the custom to order goods to be delivered at the store house. Then the Inspector Board is sent for, and certifies to the quantity and quality. In the particular case referred to 100 chests of tea were ordered, and the merchant privately instructed to send only 80 chests, accompanied by a bill for the entire hundred. On the arrival of the 80 chests 20 were added from the storage rooms, and when the inspection officer arrived there were the 100 chests called for by the requisition. Paymaster Allen probably recommended that the perpetrator of this fraud be prosecuted in the civil courts, and doubtless several others will be dealt with in the same manner.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

FORT LEAVENWORTH, KAS.

In the school library the other day I learned in conversation with Lieut. Hein, secretary of the school, that there is now in the library about 2,000 volumes of professional and historical works. Quite a number of valuable books have been received recently. The room and the shelving are admirable in design and arrangement. There will be capacity for 10,000 volumes, a number which it is very probable the library will reach within five years. There is also a valuable collection of military maps and pamphlet publications. There are several racks in the room well filled with arms of various patterns, but none more ancient than our own history. It is, however, a very interesting collection.

I noticed hanging on the wall near the secretary's desk a portrait of Gen. Sherman by Sarony, which is one of the best I have ever seen. It was presented to Gen. McCook last winter for the school.

This library is intended especially for instructors and student officers, but is enjoyed by all the officers on the reservation. It will be in time one of the three military libraries of the country. A thing in this connection, not now easily understood, is that while West Point and Fort Monroe libraries are allowed some money regularly from the annual appropriations, the school library here cannot get a cent and must depend upon the general fund for the school, realized from the sale of the bread ration. The contingent fund of the Adjt.-Gen.'s department with which very good libraries are provided at the various division and department headquarters might be diverted in part to this school library with very great advantage to the Service.

The post library here is one of the best in the Army. It comprises now about 3,000 volumes, well selected and suited for an Army library. There is also a large amount of unbound publications.

There is one institution here which appears to be an assured success, notwithstanding many discouragements, and the apparently (for a time) fruitless labors of the officers connected with it. It is the U. S. Cavalry Association. Its membership has increased by nearly 40 since the appearance of its last publication. It may now be looked upon as permanently engrafted upon the Army, and greatly to the Army's advantage, too.

The Kansas City Times says:

Lieut. Burnett, 9th Cav., now on sick leave, it is said will not again return to duty with the Service, it being his intention to resign. Lieuts. McCasky, 21st Inf., and Almy, 5th Cav., are congratulating each other on the new arrivals in their families. The former is smiling about a son and the latter over a daughter. It is reported that Major Guy V. Henry, 9th Cav., will soon ask to be relieved from duty as Inspector Rifle Practice, Dept. of the Platte, and will in all probability be assigned to duty at Fort McKeaney.

The manner in which some of the enlisted men of the Army are treated in their transfer to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth is a disgrace to modern civilization. A recent case gives cause for this remark. The prisoner was marched for seven blocks through the public streets, both legs heavily chained, the chain only being long enough to permit the prisoner to assume a shuffling walk. The guards, notwithstanding that this prisoner was heavily ironed, had both revolvers drawn from the scabbard.

The game between the infantry and cavalry Aug. 16 was one of the closest and most exciting ever witnessed here and

required ten innings to decide it. The features of the game were the playing of Sturges, Haines and Colton of the cavalry and Sebon, Still, Lawrence and Finley of the infantry. The cavalry were victorious and Lieut. Haines was the hero of the hour. Gen. Merritt was among the spectators and his presence seemed to have the same effect on the cavalry as at the battle of Stein Buttes.

GENERAL SHERIDAN'S GRAVE.

A WASHINGTON despatch says: "Mrs. Sheridan visited Arlington Cemetery Aug. 13. She found that there was no trace of the grave except the presence of the sentinel. The cemetery authorities had removed every particle of loose earth and had sodded the grave with such great care that there was nothing in the surface of the green sward to indicate where the grave had been dug. A sentry from Fort Myer will be stationed at the grave for an indefinite period. Friends of Gen. Sheridan say that if his wish had been expressed, no sentry would have been stationed at his grave, but that he would have preferred that his grave be like that of a common soldier. At his request, the cemetery authorities say, his grave was a simple excavation in the earth, without any casing of brick or cement."

Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

An application has been made to institute a Commandery in the State of Indiana, to be located at Indianapolis. At a preliminary meeting held Aug. 15 Gen. Lew Wallace was selected as commander of the temporary organization and Lieut. B. B. Peck recorder, to whom all communications should be addressed.

The Loyal Legion held a session at the Millard Wednesday to present expressions upon the death of General Sheridan. General Haines paid a glowing tribute to him, and speeches were also made by General Morrow, Major Paddock, Major Clarkson and Captain Furay.

COURT-MARTIAL CASES.

In the case of a soldier recently tried at Newport Barracks, Ky., for desertion, the reviewing authority, Major General Schofield says:

The proceedings, findings and sentences are disapproved. The record was returned to the court for reconsideration. It being clear that the court had found the prisoner guilty of an offence for which it had no evidence except his plea of guilty, and equally clear, under the accepted rulings of the Judge Advocate General, that the only offence of which it could properly convict him, in the deficiency of any other evidence, was absence without leave; his plea of guilty of desertion at his arraignment having been changed to absence without leave by his subsequent statement to the court. (Digest, p. 377-8.) Instead of "reconsidering its findings" upon the record as it stood (the only legal course open to it), the court re-opened the case; and having taken much additional evidence, or, in other words, subjected the prisoner to a new trial, has submitted a supplementary record defective in form, because it contains no arraignment of the prisoner and has no visible connection with any previous proceedings; and has decided to adhere to its original finding of guilty. These errors of procedure in the case are fatal to the validity of the proceedings; not the least remarkable among them being that last indicated, viz: the taking of additional testimony on the return of the record for reconsideration. Winthrop says (Vol. I., p. 64): "Nor can the record be returned on account of an error which can be corrected only by means of the introduction of testimony. The object of the proceeding is not to re-open an investigation once closed or rehear a case once tried and brought to judgment, but simply to revise what has been judicially completed." See also the opinion of the Judge Advocate General of the Army published in General Order No. 47, Headquarters of the Army, A. G. O., dated April 29, 1879.

In the case of a corporal recently tried at Fort Bayard for sundry misdemeanors and sentenced to dishonorable discharge and confinement at hard labor for six months, the reviewing authority, Gen. Miles, says: "The fact is developed that the prisoner was instrumental to a certain degree, in aiding and abetting Pvt. Lemons, Co. A, 24th Inf., in committing a murderous assault upon Sergt. Webster, of the same company. The court finds the prisoner guilty of neglecting to disarm Lemons when he knew he was in an angry and excited state; that he assisted him in regaining possession of his rifle after it had been taken from him and placed in the arm rack; and that he neglected a second time to take or make any effort to take the rifle away from him, well knowing he was likely to do bodily injury to some one therewith. If in the opinion of the court the evidence sustains its findings, then the prisoner is guilty of assisting another in the commission of a very grave crime. No testimony was introduced to lessen the gravity of the offence as charged, or to influence the court in imposing so trifling a sentence, which, in the opinion of the reviewing authority, tends more to impair than promote discipline. The sentence is regarded as entirely inadequate to the gravity of the offence and is therefore disapproved and the prisoner will be returned to duty."

It is proposed to build a cinder path from New York to New Haven, 70 miles, for the benefit of bicyclists; to be 30 feet in width, and laid at the side of the present road where the existing roads are not good. Cost of building is estimated at \$75 per mile, or a total of \$5,250.

LIEUT. C. F. PARKER, 2d U. S. Art., left Huntsville, Ala., early this week on a short leave.

ADJT. GEN. DRUM was sick this week from paint poisoning, contracted while his office was undergoing alterations.

The death of Capt. Chas. H. Rockwell, 5th U. S. Cav., promotes 1st Lieut. Geo. B. Davis to captain and 2d Lieut. W. E. Almy to 1st lieutenant.

MISS NINA ROYES, who has been passing several months with the family of Captain Valery Havard, Medical Department, Post Surgeon at Fort A. Lincoln, D. T., has returned to her home at the East.

FIRST LIEUTENANT GUY HOWARD, Adjutant 12th Infantry, rejoining from a 15 days' leave, was at Fort Abraham Lincoln, D. T., on Thursday last, on route to Fort Yates, whither he was conducting his family.

The Critic says that as Mrs. Schofield is somewhat of an invalid, upon Miss Schofield, who is to be married in November will then devolve the duty of doing the honors of her father's house at the capital of the nation.

To Capt. Lawton and Bourke, of the cavalry, prominently mentioned for the vacant inspector generalship, with the rank of major, may now be added Capt. Alfred Morton, 9th Inf., who has lately come to the front with a large batch of recommendations from military superiors.

CAPTAIN JAMES HALLORAN, 12th Inf., and family have rejoined at Fort Abraham Lincoln, D. T., from Camp Lincoln, Springfield, Ill., where Captain Halloran had been on a ten weeks' tour inspecting the I. N. G., and receiving praise without stint for his efficient performance of that duty.

RIFLE COMPETITIONS.—1888.

All the names and scores of Department teams have heretofore been given, with the exception of Texas, which is as follows: Sergt. Sigerist, L. 3d Cav., 524; Corpl. Powell, A. 19th Inf., 503; Corpl. Ohlschlager, D. 19th Inf., 478; Sergt. Ley, A. 5th Inf., 471; Corpl. Canida, C. 19th Inf., 468; Sergt. Fink, H. 19th Inf., 467; Sergt. Byrd, M. 3d Cav., 465; Corpl. Shangle, F. 3d Cav., 463; 2d Lieut. Stewart, 3d Cav., 455; Capt. Witherell, 19th Inf., 443; Corpl. Dunne, H. 3d Cav., 441; Private Baird, B. 19th Inf., 440; Private Fields, F. 19th Inf., 431; 2d Lieut. Heard, 3d Cav., 428. Sergt. Sigerist won the Department gold medal and the skirmish medal. Sergt. Ley got the medal donated by the Belknap Rifles; Corpl. Ohlschlager got the San Antonio Citizens' medal, and Corpl. Powell the San Antonio Club medal and the Bell Brothers medal.

Division of the Atlantic.—The competitors, etc., were promptly on the range at Fort Niagara on Thursday, August 23, and preliminary practice commenced according to the programme which we gave in full in JOURNAL of August 11. The commissioned force on the ground is as follows: Officer in Charge—Major Wallace F. Randolph, 3d Art., Inspector of Rifle Practice of the Division. Range Officers—Capt. Frank G. Smith, 4th Art.; Capt. George S. Grimes, 2d Art.; 1st Lieut. Lotus Niles, R. Q. M., 2d Art.; 1st Lieutenant W. H. Coffin, 5th Artillery; 1st Lieut. Granger Adams, 5th Art.; 1st Lieut. R. M. Blatchford, 11th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Ormond M. Lissak, 4th Art., and 2d Lt. Cornells DeW. Willcox, 2d Art. 2d Lieut. Herbert S. Whipple, 10th Cav., Financial Officer. 2d Lieut. D. B. Devore, 23d Inf., Statistical Officer. Competitors—Capt. Frank B. Hamilton, 2d Art.; Capt. George G. Greenough, 4th Art.; 1st Lieut. Wright P. Edgerton, 2d Art.; 1st Lieut. Irving Hale, C. E.; 2d Lieut. Clarence R. Edwards, 23d Inf.; 2d Lieut. Beverly W. Dunn, 3d Art.; 2d Lieut. John D. Barrette, 3d Art., and 2d Lieut. Wirt Robinson, 4th Art. There are also 65 enlisted competitors, and three distinguished marksmen, viz., Sergt. George Doyle, Co. A, Battalion of Engineers; Pvt. Henry W. Stamford, Co. D, 23d Inf., and Corpl. John Nihil, Troop B, 4th Cav. The greatest enthusiasm prevails. The competitions commence early next week.

Division of the Pacific.—The competitions (at Vancouver Barracks) have closed.

The following will report at Vancouver Bks. to Lt.-Col. Isaac D. De Russy, 14th Inf., I. R. P., for duty in connection with Division Pacific rifle competition: Capt. D. W. Burke, 14th Inf.; 1st Lts. Albert Todd, 1st Art., and L. A. Lovering, 4th Inf.; 2d Lts. W. B. Reynolds, 14th Inf., D. L. Brainerd, 2d Cav., C. H. Martin, 14th Inf., and Herman Hall, 4th Inf. (S. O. 90, D. Columbia, Aug. 8.)

1st Sergt. Weston A. Hubbard, Co. G, 14th Inf., a distinguished marksman, will report to Lieut.-Col. Isaac D. De Russy, 14th Inf., I. R. P., at Vancouver Bks., for a special contest at that post (S. O. 89, D. Columbia, Aug. 7.)

2d Lieut. W. A. Kimball, 14th Inf., will report to Lieut.-Col. Isaac D. De Russy, I. R. P., for duty in connection with rifle competitions at Vancouver Bks. (S. O. 91, D. Columbia, Aug. 10.)

Div. Missouri.—The competitions commenced at San Antonio on Thursday of this week, the Texas, Platte, Dakota and Missouri teams being on the ground and eager for the fray. The range is in capital order and the whole affair is well handled. Lieut. Philip Rende, Major General Crook's Inspector of Rifle Practice, is on hand to watch the shooting and to give the benefit of his experience when needed.

1st Lieut. A. C. Macomb, 5th Cav.; Ord. Sergt. George Seymour and Corpl. Frederick Nanjoks, Co. I, 14th Inf., distinguished marksmen, will proceed to San Antonio, Texas, and report as competitors for places on the Army rifle team.

Sergt. John C. Dailey, Troop M, 6th Cav., is detailed for duty in connection with the approaching Division rifle contest, and will proceed to San Antonio.

1st Lieuts. O. B. Warwick and C. L. Steele, 18th Inf., are detailed for duty in connection with the approaching Division rifle contest, and will proceed to San Antonio. (S. O. 100, Dept. Mo., Aug. 14.)

Capt. Cyrus S. Roberts, 17th Inf., Captain of the Dept. Platte Rifle Team, 1st Lt. Henry H. Wright, 9th Cav., 1st Lieut. Matthias W. Day, 9th Cav., 2d Lieut. William A. Mercer, 8th Inf., 2d Lieut. Chas. H. Muir, 17th Inf., and 2d Lieut. Beaumont B. Buck, 16th Inf., members of the Dept. Platte Rifle Team, and 1st Lieut. Joseph Garrard, Adjt., 9th Cav., selected marksmen, will proceed to San Antonio and report at Hdqrs. Dept. of Texas. (S. O. 71, D. Platte, Aug. 13.)

Corpl. William F. Leary, Co. H, 22d Inf., will report, in person, Aug. 17, to the Division Inspector of Rifle Practice at San Antonio, for duty in connection with the Division Rifle Competition. (S. O. 76, D. Dakota, Aug. 11.)

Selected marksmen, viz.: 1st Sergt. J. O. Holen, Co. C, 7th Inf., 1st Sergt. J. Ryan, Co. A, 8th Inf., and Sergt. E. H. Stevens, Co. G, 8th Inf., will proceed to San Antonio and report at Hdqrs. Dept. of Texas. (S. O. 71, D. Platte, Aug. 13.)

1st Lieut. James B. Jackson and 2d Lieut. John A. Lockwood, 17th Inf., will proceed to San Antonio for duty in connection with the approaching Division Rifle Competitions. (S. O. 72, D. Platte, Aug. 14.)

1st Lieut. James O. Mackay, 3d Cav., is relieved from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will report to the Commanding Officer Post of San Antonio, Texas, for duty. (S. O. 86, Aug. 17, D. T.)

1st Lieut. John C. F. Tillson, 5th Inf., is relieved from duty in connection with the Dept. rifle competition, and will rejoin his company at Fort Brown, Texas. (S. O. 86, Aug. 17, D. T.)

2d Lieut. Thomas B. Dugan, 3d Cav., will report in person to the C. O. Camp at the Dept. rifle range as Captain of the Dept. rifle team. (S. O. 86, Aug. 17, D. T.)

The following named officers will, immediately upon the conclusion of the Dept. rifle competition, report to the Inspector of Rifle Practice, Div. Missouri, for assignment to duty in connection with the Division competition: Capt. Edgar Z. Steever, 3d Cav., as executive range officer and camp commander; 1st Lieut. Francis H. French, 19th Inf., as adjutant and range officer; 1st Lieut. Cornelius Gardner, 19th Inf., as acting assistant quartermaster and acting commissary of subsistence; 1st Lieut. Alexander McC. Guard, 19th Inf., as financial officer

and range officer; 1st Lieut. Henry L. Ripley, 3d Cav., as statistical officer and range officer; 1st Lieut. Parker W. West, 3d Cav., as assistant statistical officer and range officer; 1st Lieut. Ogden Rafferty, Asst. Surgeon, as camp surgeon. (S. O. 86, Aug. 17, D. T.)

Capt. Frazier A. Boutelle, 1st Cav., 1st Lieut. Wallis O. Clark, 12th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Alfred Reynolds, 20th Inf., having been selected for the Div. Missouri rifle competition, will proceed to San Antonio, Tex., so as to arrive there on Aug. 18 (S. O. 75, D. Dak., Aug. 10.)

The C. O. Dept. rifle camp, Fort Snelling, will forward the enlisted men, and alternates, of the Dept. team, also the "selected marksmen," to San Antonio, to arrive Aug. 18, to take part in the Division Missouri rifle competitions (S. O., 75, D. Dak., Aug. 10.)

2d Lieut. James A. Goodie, 7th Inf., will proceed to San Antonio for duty in connection with the Division rifle competition (S. O. 71, D. Platte, Aug. 13.)

Sergt. H. S. Winfield, Co. D, 7th Inf., will report at the Division rifle camp, near San Antonio, for duty in connection with the Division rifle competition (S. O. 71, D. Platte, Aug. 13.)

Sergt. Warren Felter, Co. D, 2d Inf., and Private Albert D. Alexander, Co. K, 15th Inf., will report in person, Aug. 17, to the Division I. R. P., at San Antonio, for duty in connection with the Division rifle competition (S. O. 77, D. Dak., Aug. 13.)

The following officers will proceed to San Antonio and report for duty as organization officers in connection with the Division rifle competition: 1st Lieut. Frank P. Avery, 3d Inf., and 2d Lieut. John H. Wills, 22d Inf. (S. O. 77, D. Dak., Aug. 13.)

1st Lieut. Z. W. Torrey, 6th Inf., captain of the Dept. Missouri rifle team, and 2d Lieut. W. S. Scott, 1st Cav., and C. B. Hardin, 18th Inf., members of the team, will proceed to San Antonio and report (S. O. 102, Dept. Mo., Aug. 16.)

HYDROGRAPHIC EXPEDITION.

AS PREVIOUSLY mentioned in the JOURNAL, Commodore Walker, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, has decided to send another expedition of naval officers to Mexico and Central America to make the necessary observations in various points in those countries, in continuance of the important work of determining secondary meridian of longitude by the use of the telegraph. Commodore Walker has from the beginning been most enthusiastic over this species of scientific work and has given much time and attention in bringing it to perfection. Lieut. G. L. Dyer, hydrographer to the bureau, has been a most able assistant to his chief, and all of the officers on duty in the Hydrographic Office, in fact the entire Service, are much interested in this particular work, which is attracting the attention of the scientific world.

In the last work of this kind, which was finished about three years ago, the chain of longitudes was carried from Galveston, Texas, to Vera Cruz, on the Gulf Coast of Mexico; also from Panama up the west coast of Central America to Libertad in Salvador. It is now proposed to connect these points. From Vera Cruz a submarine cable extends to Coatzacoalcas on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Thence a land line extends across the Isthmus to Salina Cruz on the Pacific, and from this point a cable is carried down the coast. In making this measurement, Vera Cruz and Coatzacoalcas will probably be the first points occupied. An observing party will be stationed at each of these places, and the difference of longitude between them will be determined. The exact longitude of Vera Cruz being already known, it will be only necessary to apply this difference of longitude to that position to give the position of Coatzacoalcas. This being done, the Coatzacoalcas party will cross the Isthmus to Salina Cruz, and the Vera Cruz party will occupy the Coatzacoalcas station, and thus the work will proceed until all the links of the chain have been measured, when the expedition will return. The stations occupied will probably be the following, viz.: Vera Cruz, Coatzacoalcas and Salina Cruz in Mexico, Libertad in Salvador, and San Juan del Sur in Nicaragua.

The expedition will leave the United States about the middle of November, in order to arrive in Mexico at the beginning of the dry season, as clear and dry weather is absolutely necessary for the requisite astronomical observations.

The following officers will be detailed for this service, viz.: Lieutenant J. A. Norris in charge, Lieut. Charles Laird and Ensign J. H. L. Holcombe, together with an other officer who has not yet been selected. These officers are all experienced in the work. Lieut. Norris has been connected with all the longitude expeditions sent out by the Bureau of Navigation since 1874. Lieut. Laird first became connected with the work in China in 1881, and Ensign Holcombe is experienced in similar astronomical work, though he has not before assisted in measuring longitudes.

Five months will probably be necessary to complete the measurements, and the party will return home early in the spring of 1889. Several months will be employed in making the computations, and the results will then be published.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

MOVEMENTS OF THE 21ST INFANTRY.

BATTLE, NEB., Aug. 17, 1888.

THE battalion of the 21st Infantry arrived here from Fort Sidney, en route to Kearney, today. No sick; no prisoners; no deserters. Hospital Steward Bakaldson is performing the duties of surgeon, and quite to the satisfaction of all who have had any complaints.

Gen. Morrow joined and assumed command to-day, relieving Capt. Estel. Most of the captains of the 21st are unfortunate in the matter of field duty. Only two years ago a 1st lieutenant had to command a battalion of four companies going to DuChesne, and only two have been fortunate enough to accompany this battalion of five companies. In this case the 2d lieutenants are also out of luck, but one, Lieut. Farmer, being present. It is fully expected that the recent graduates assigned to the regiment will appreciate the valuable practical instructions attending a 400-mile walk over the plains, and report for duty at once at regimental headquarters.

We have been out six days, and as the trains pass us, two hours from Sidney, we are forcibly impressed with the high appreciation shown by Government officials of the economy and advantages of modern rapid transit.

THE STATE TROOPS.

NEW JERSEY ENCAMPMENT.

THE 2d Brigade, New Jersey National Guard, went into camp at Sea Girt, Aug. 18, to remain until Aug. 23. The encampment was named "Camp Green," in honor of his Excellency Robert S. Green, Governor of New Jersey. The members of the staff of Gov. Green are Bvt. Maj. Gen. W. S. Striker, Adj. Gen.; Col. S. M. Dickinson, A. A. G.; Brevet Maj. Gen. L. Perrine, Q. M. Gen.; Brig. General J. D. McGill, Surg. Gen.; J. W. Kearny, Insp. Gen.; B. W. Spencer, I. R. P., and Col. W. F. Abbott, J. A. G. Aides-de-Camp—Col. C. W. Thome, R. King, G. G. Green, W. C. Heppenheimer, J. S. Soedeker, G. B. M. Harvey, DeL. G. Walker and J. T. Van Cleef.

The Division Staff are: Major-Gen. J. W. Plume; Col. M. Dodd, A. A. G.; Col. G. E. Howard, Insp.; Col. E. L. Wellington, Surgeon; Lieut.-Col. F. S. Fish, Judge Advocate; Lieut.-Col. G. W. Terberry, Q. M.; Col. A. J. Clark, Chief of Artillery; Aides-de-Camp, Majors W. Strange, W. S. Righter, and J. A. Miller.

The officers of the 2d Brigade are: Bvt. Major-Gen. W. J. Sewell, commanding; Lieut.-Col. T. S. Chambers, A. A. G.; Bvt. Col. D. B. Murphy, Inspector; Lieut.-Col. F. S. Guanti; Major W. M. Palmer, Q. M.; Major R. Duncan, Paymaster; Major F. C. Woodman, J. A.; Major A. C. Olliphant, Engr. and Signal Officer; Aides-de-Camp, Capt. H. Markley and J. B. Edgar. The commands were: 2d Regt., 550 men—Col. E. H. Ropes, Lieut.-Col. H. A. Lee, Major R. P. Holmes, 1st Lieut. J. Manterville, Adjt., and Lieut. J. H. Shuler, 4th Regt., 480 men—Col. W. H. Cooper, Lieut.-Col. G. A. Cheever, Major W. H. S. Searby, Lieut. C. S. McGrath, Adjt., and Gun Detachment, Lieut. C. S. Braddock, commanding, 7th Regt., 387 men—Col. R. A. Donnelly, Lieut.-Col. J. C. Patterson, Major M. Hurley, 1st Lieut. and Bvt. Capt. C. H. W. Van Siver, Adjt., and Gun Detachment, Lieut. R. H. Whitehead, Gatling Gun Co. B, 51 men—Capt. R. R. Eckendorf, Sea Coast Artillery, 48 men—Capt. J. Brady. There were in all some 1,500 officers and men in camp.

New Jersey has been most fortunate in securing such a fine site for a camp of instruction; a more perfect one could not be found. It is a level plain comprising 120 acres, and runs from the sea beach to the line of the railroad. The drinking water comes from an artesian well bored 670 feet deep, and numerous hydrants located at essential points distribute it. Water for washing and cooking is supplied from numerous driven wells. There are bathing houses on the beach supplied with bathing suits and in charge of a bathing master. The grounds were laid out and tents, etc., erected under the direction of the veteran soldier, Gen. L. Perrine, Q. M. Gen., whose functions include those of Commissary-General, Paymaster-General, and Chief of Ordnance. His assistants are: A. A. Q. M. Gen. L. Perrine, Jr.; Major G. F. Loutrel, D. Q. M. Gen. and Major S. Yead, Gen. Perrine also secured the site and negotiated for the purchase of the grounds. A rifle range equipped with ten sliding targets, telephone, and ranges staked out from 100 to 500 yards is on the southeast corner of the camp and was erected under the guidance of Gen. Bird W. Spencer, Insp. Gen. of Rifle Practice, who was ably seconded by Col. Walker, Owens, and Van Valen.

Additions and improvements are contemplated, which will be made when the proper appropriation is forthcoming. The men were quartered in A tents, two men to a tent. The tents have no extra flies, and a large number are unfloored, the ground being very porous. Officers are provided with wall tents, extra flies and flooring. The troops are housed by regiment; each organization pays for its own cooks, subsistence is furnished by the State, the rations are issued in kind. Officers mess by themselves. The pay of privates is \$1.50 per day. The medical department is well equipped with all the necessities, except an ambulance corps, and facilities for carrying the disabled, and it is hoped that some provision in this respect will be made. The men are provided with a serviceable uniform, resembling that of the U. S. Army. They are well fed, and there was up to Thursday's writing no sickness of any account in camp. Governor Green has been present in camp the entire week. He is a most jovial gentleman, has a host of friends, and takes a great interest in the National Guard. The discipline of the camp is good and the ground is well policed. The regiments present are composed of companies scattered throughout different parts of the State, and are seldom brought together for battalion drill. Each regiment is drilled by itself in camp. The daily camp routine was reveille 6 A. M., breakfast 6.30, drill 7.30, surgeon's call 8.30, guard mount 9, drill 10, dinner 12.30 P. M., drill 3, supper 5.15, dress parade 6.15, tattoo 9, taps 10. Each command had its own camp guard, but the whole was mounted as a brigade guard. Guard mount was fairly well performing; the men, however, were not so well up in water duty. Many of them seemed to have been without previous instruction, but nevertheless they performed their duty faithfully and to the best of their ability, and the few shortcomings are due to the want of proper armories where the men could receive thorough instruction. It is hoped the State will supply the necessary want. In drill there is little to choose between the three regiments—the faults are the same in each.

There is a lack of precision and promptness in executing the various movements. The distance between column of fours, companies and divisions were not well kept, and in wheeling into line there was much loss of distance. This was, as a rule, the fault of one or two companies. In standing at attention, and especially at parade rest, many men would not preserve the immovability required, but would twist their heads and move their hands. They should stand still and look straight to the front. The officers corrected the men as much as possible, and with success. Major Olliphant, the guard instructor, will undoubtedly have the men in his charge in a very efficient state by the end of the week. The drum major has made great advances; he already executes movements not in the tactics, especially in executing the loadings and fringes. If the company would practice the latter as prescribed in the tactics, and as they would have to do in active service, it would add greatly to its efficiency. The Sea Coast Artillery consists of two 12 lb. smoothbore. The command consists of about 48 men. They drill daily in charge of Capt. J. Brady, and practice with blank and fixed ammunition.

The rifle range is used daily, and great interest is being taken in the shooting. At present there is no high embankment behind the targets to stop the bullets; there is a moderately high ridge of sand. Lookouts with red flags are posted on either side of the danger point to warn people from crossing and to stop firing when passing vessels come within range of the many bullets which skip into the sea. If the embankment were raised to a proper height much risk would be avoided, and it is hoped the appropriation for this department will allow further improvement, under the supervision of its efficient officers in charge.

The commands have made commendable progress in their

duties, and the most noticeable from our observation was that demonstrated by the 3d Regiment. The companies of this regiment are more enterprising than the other commands, and while improvement was shown in all, the chief praise belongs to the 3d. Among the officers are many of experience in the Rebellion and long service in the State troops, besides several ex-officers of the Army and Navy. All are very zealous in the discharge of their duties. The men are orderly and evinced a great desire to learn. Salutes to officers are fairly well observed. A valuable addition to the camp will be sentry boxes; there are none at present. One of the most violent wind and rain storms of the season visited the camp on Aug. 23, increasing in violence during the night, and the sentries kept on their posts during the entire storm, drenched to the skin, and without complaint.

On the whole, the State of New Jersey has reason to feel proud of her citizen soldiers, and while possessing one of the finest, if not the best, camp grounds in the United States, its troops should be provided with good armories, where their efficiency could be further increased.

Gov. Green has offered a handsome badge for the officer or man who shall make the best score during the season of 1888. The match is entitled the Champion Match, and competition, which began Aug. 4, will be continued till the 30th, at Sea Girt. The distance is 200 and 500 yards, 5 shots at each. Ammunition is furnished by the State.

On Thursday, the 23d, the troops were reviewed by Gen. Plume, and many prominent men and civilians were invited to witness the ceremonies. On Friday the Governor reviewed the troops.

SECOND BRIGADE, PENNSYLVANIA N. G.

On Thursday, Aug. 16, the troops of the 2d Penn. Brigade in camp were reviewed by Gov. Beaver and staff. Previous to the review the brigade was exercised in battalion movements, which were all well executed. After the drill the brigade was massed for review. The march of artillery, cavalry and infantry was excellent. The regiments marched in divisions and the Governor congratulated Gen. Wiley on the efficiency of the brigade and presented gold badges to five members of the Sheridan troop for excellence in marksmanship. The match for the Delamater trophy was won by the 16th Regt., with a total of 564 out of a possible 733. The 14th made 444; 10th Regt. 498. The winning team will enter for the Hiltion trophy at Mt. Gretna in September. A fatal accident occurred on Friday at 2 p. m. A squad of Co. C, 14th Regt., were practicing at the 300 yards range, and as it is the custom stationed a marker in the pit under the target to signal the scores. Everything passed all right for a time, when a marker in the adjoining pit passing the pit of the 14th Regt. discovered the body of the 14th's scorer, Chas. Lacey, Co. I, lying in the pit, shot under the ear with a 45 calibre ball. His body was buried in camp in the same vicinity where lies the body of Thos. Dawkins, Co. H, 18th Regt., who was drowned in the lake during the camp of 1885.

The brigade was formed for a sham battle. Gen. Wiley formed the command into 10 lines of battle and after displaying the skirmisher the 10th, 15th and 18th Regts. were engaged with an imaginary enemy. They were, however, repulsed and fell back on the second line, where they made a stand and succeeded in holding the line. The deployment of the troops were good and the commands prompt. During the retreat of Battery B Pvt. McClelland fell from his horse and was badly injured.

The camp was the most successful that has been held for years. The attendance was better and the discipline of the camp was good. The heat was intense and many men suffered by it. During the review and inspection the men were under arms for four or five hours. There were a number sick, although the majority of cases were of a trivial nature. Many of the regiments rated better than last year. The 14th Regt. stands first in general average, and the 18th advanced from ninth place to third. The troops broke camp on Saturday, and were ordered to their armories.

Forty-seventh New York.—Col. E. F. Gaylor.

COL. E. F. GAYLOR and Lieut.-Col. Fred. S. Benson went to Boston to make arrangements for the reception of the 47th N. Y. on their visit to Boston on Wednesday, Sept. 12. They were accompanied by Col. James McLeary of the 2d Brigade, and Gen. Wm. H. Brownell, formerly of the 47th Regt. The regiment will leave the armory on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 5 p. m., proceeding to the foot of Broadway, from thence by boat to the foot of Murray street and will take a steamer of the Fall River line. The regiment will be received by a provisional battalion, composed of detachments from the several organizations of Boston. There will be a short parade and the parade will be dismissed at Mechanics' Hall, where the regiment will be quartered throughout its stay. On Thursday the Committee on Reception will show the visitors to Bunker Hill and other points of interest. At 5 p. m. the regiment will parade for review on Boston Common and will be reviewed by Gov. Ames and staff. On Friday the visitors will be tendered an excursion down the bay and visit the forts in Boston harbor. The regiment will commence its march home at 8 p. m. and will arrive at their armory in Williamsburg about 8 p. m., on Saturday. The regiment will take about 500 men and a number of invited guests.

THE VETERAN MILITIA.

A MEETING of the National Veteran Military Association of National Guardsmen was held at Hartford, Ct., on Friday, Aug. 17. Delegates were present from organizations in New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. The following officers were elected: President, Gen. D. W. Ward, Boston Light Infantry Veterans; vice presidents, Col. C. S. Hemen, 1st N. Y.; Col. H. A. Tyler, Boston Light Infantry Veterans; and Col. S. Ellis Briggs, 2d N. Y. Veterans; recording secretary, Frank T. Robinson, Charlestown, Mass.; Cadets; financial secretary, Maj. F. G. McMurray, 2d N. Y.; treasurer, Capt. James Foley, Boston Light Infantry. Among those present were Col. D. W. Ward, 1st N. Y.; Col. W. I. Martin, 2d N. Y.; Col. C. A. Green, Bristol Artillery; Col. J. T. Pryor, 9th N. Y.; and J. F. Beach, Albany Burghes Company. The delegates were entertained by the Veteran City Guard of Hartford, Conn.

MAINE.

The Maine Volunteer Militia were in camp at Augusta, Me., August 13 to 18. The camp was known as "Camp Marble," in honor of Governor Marble. The camp ground is very level and of ample space, situated on a high hill and commanding a fine view of Augusta and the surrounding country. The tents of the Brigade Headquarters were pitched so as to form three sides of a square. In the centre of the square rises a tall flagstaff upon which the national colors were displayed. The troops in camp were the 1st Infantry, Col. J. J. Lynch; 2d Infantry, Col. V. Brett; Frontier Guards, Capt. C. E. Newcomb; 1st Batt. of Light Artillery, Capt. O. T. Despaux. Company drills were held in the morning—some of the commanders went through the setting up exercises, others skirmish drills and company movements. Guard mounting was very successfully performed. Battalion drills were held, and rifle practice took place, including skirmishing, under the direction of Col. E. C. Farrington, the Inspector.

The company skirmish match was commenced under the following conditions: Not less than twenty five men, 200 to 100 yards, distance unknown, 10 rounds, five advancing and five retreating.

Artillery practice was gone through with each day by the battery. On Aug. 17 the forces were reviewed by the Governor and staff and other guests and prominent people. The weather being rainy, the programme was somewhat marred. Mr. James G. Blaine made his appearance about 11 o'clock A. M. in company with Secretary of State Smith, Col. Comptroller and Gen. Beane, while three other carriages containing State officers and their ladies followed. Gen. Mitchell and his staff received the party. The Governor and staff, mounted, came shortly afterwards and were received with a salute of 31 guns. After 3 o'clock the clouds broke away

and the wished for opportunity for the review was given. In the evening there was a very successful reception at headquarters tendered the Governor and staff by Gen. Mitchell and his staff, accompanied by dancing.

MILITIA ITEMS.

The 2d Corps of Cadets of Massachusetts, Lieut.-Col. F. J. Dalton, will visit the city of New York in October and inspect all the city armories. They will also visit the Academy at West Point.

The 11th N. Y., having settled all their troubles, have now gone to hard work to build up their command. On Tuesday the colonel presented the faithful service medal to seventy-five members of the regiment.

The Burnton medal of Co. E, 22d N. Y., was open to competition at the armory range on Aug. 14. There are to be four competitions, the next on Sept. 4. The members of the regiment are now getting measured for the State uniforms, which the regiment has adopted, and will be ready for the men when the drills commence.

Haversacks of a new pattern will shortly be issued to the Massachusetts militia.

G. O. No. 45, A. G. O., S. N. Y., directs that the annual inspection and muster of the organizations named below take place as follows: Separate Companies.—3d, Onondaga, Sept. 10; 3d, Walton, Sept. 11; 24th, Middletown, Sept. 12; 30th, Elmira, Sept. 13; 1st, Penn Yan, Sept. 14; 26th, Elmira, Sept. 14; 45th, Cortland, Sept. 17; 35th, Ogdensburg, Sept. 18; 30th, Watertown, Sept. 19; 2d, Auburn, Sept. 20; 25th, Canandaigua, Sept. 21; 34th, Geneva, Sept. 21; 11th, Mt. Vernon, Sept. 24; 4th, Yonkers, Sept. 25; 44th, Utica, Sept. 26; 20th, Binghamton, Sept. 28; 6th Battery, Binghamton, Sept. 27. Commanding officers will parade their respective commands in State service uniforms, heavy marching order; fatigue cap and blouse to be packed in knapsack. Attention is directed to official decisions on tactics, par. 77 (relating to position of company in absence of captain); also to R. 503 (directing as to returns by C. O. of troops and separate companies); and M. O. 67 (imposing penalties for false musters). Manual of inspection arms will be executed as prescribed in tactics.

CONNECTICUT.

THE following have been commissioned officers of the Connecticut National Guard since July 5, 1888:

1st Lieut. James H. Jarman, Brig. Insp. of Rifle Practice; 2d Lieut. Alfred M. Parker, aide-de-camp, with rank of captain.

1st Regiment.—2d Lieut. DeWitt P. Preston, 1st Lieutenant Co. K; 1st Sergt. Chas. H. Slocum, 2d Lieutenant Co. K.

2d Regiment.—John M. Benedict, Asst. Surg., with the rank of 1st Lieutenant; 1st Sergt. Henry S. Ball, 2d Lieutenant Co. E.

3d Regiment.—Commissary Sergt. Gilbert C. Bishop, paymaster, with rank of 1st Lieutenant; 1st Sergt. Henry J. Thayer, 2d Lieutenant Co. G.

4th Regiment.—1st Sergt. Geo. E. Simpson, 2d Lieutenant Co. D; 1st Sergt. John O'Neil, 2d Lieutenant Co. E; 2d Lieut. Michael J. Finn, 1st Lieutenant Co. I; 1st Sergt. Austin K. Deming, 2d Lieutenant Co. I.

VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD.

Geo. W. Wing, of Montpelier, has been appointed Assistant Adjutant and Inspector General with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD.

DR. ANDERSON N. ELLIS, the new surgeon of the 1st Regiment, and one of the most popular officers of the regiment, was appointed assistant surgeon Dec. 10, 1887, and is an old soldier. He was a staff officer in Buell's Army at Shiloh when only nineteen years of age. At the close of the war he entered the Regular U. S. Army as a contract surgeon, and served five years in New Mexico, Indian Territory and Kansas under Gen. John Pope. He is at present a leading physician and surgeon in Cincinnati.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

THE Washington Light Infantry, under the command of Major Wm. G. Moore, and the Corcoran Cadets, Capt. E. C. Edwards, went into camp at Atlantic City, N. J., on Sunday morning, Aug. 19, and will remain for one week. The troops arrived at the camp in the midst of a terrible storm and were received by a citizens' committee in charge of Major Hoffman, who made the speech of welcome to Atlantic City. The troops are camped on the lawn of the United States Hotel and are drilled every day in company and battalion movements. The dress parades are witnessed by all the visitors of that resort.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Elector.—Zachary Taylor was inaugurated President in 1849 and died in 1850.

Cadet.—To obtain the last published report of the U. S. Naval Academy write to the Secretary of the Navy.

W. J. asks: Is a lance sergeant or lance corporal allowed the full clothing allowance of sergeants or corporals, as the case may be? **Ans.**—No.

A Reader.—Name the particular vacancy or vacancies at West Point in which you are interested and information will be given you so far as practicable.

Rex.—Governor's Island has not yet been turned over to the city authorities for a park. As to whether it will be we cannot say, but incline to the opinion that it won't.

H. S. asks: Are hospital stewards who have served as such twenty years or over required to pass an examination on or before re-enlisting? **Ans.**—No. Read par. 6 of Circular of Aug. 15, 1887, from the Surgeon General's office.

E. A. S. asks: 1. To whom would a person wishing employment in the Construction Department at a Navy-yard address himself for information? **Ans.**—Chief Constructor of the Navy.

2. What bureaus in Washington employ draughtsmen? **Ans.**—Steam Engineering, Yards and Docks, Construction and Repair, Ordnance, and Hydrographic Office of the Navy, and Quartermaster and Ordnance, Dept. of Army.

T. G. asks: Is there a soldier now in service who has served 21 years and never lost a day's duty by being on sick report or on furlough, and has had but one General Court-martial? **Ans.**—There may be such, but we doubt it. Not that it is impossible, but in 21 years' service the chances are some days of duty have been lost from one cause or another. If there is such a soldier now in service he deserves an especial mark of commendation and we should like to know him.

C.—Beneficiaries under Mullan decision are those officers who served in a lower grade or grades, in either the Regular or Volunteer Navy, before reaching a grade having longevity pay. The Baker decision gives those officers who served at the Naval Academy as midshipmen credit for their earlier service in computing their longevity pay. In other words, their longevity pay begins from the time they are appointed to the Academy instead of from the time of graduation.

J. W. asks: Both guards having been paraded after guard mounting in front of the guardhouse, only one officer of the day visits the guard; is it proper for the senior commander to take charge of both guards and present arms to the officer of the day as he approaches the guardhouse, or

should each commander present his own guard? **Ans.**—The case is not contemplated by the Regulations. It would seem to be in accord with the spirit of the last paragraph on page 352 of Upton's Tactics, for the senior commander to present both guards.

P. H. McB. asks where he can procure the "American Meteorological Journal." **Ans.**—Published at Ann Arbor, Mich.

FORCED DRAFT ON THE SWATARA.

ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF MELVILLE went out as far as the lights on board the *Swatara* last Saturday, when she started for the South Atlantic station, to inspect the working of the machinery under forced draft. Fires had been lighted in all six boilers, and after reaching Sandy Hook the forced draft was turned on and the engines run at full speed for a short time. Everything worked exceedingly well, the engines developing at one time 1,350 indicated horse power at 60.5 revolutions, which is a larger power than had ever before been developed by any of the *Swatara* class. This power could not be kept up, however, on account of the lack of experience with forced draft on the part of the firemen. After they become more accustomed to their work the machinery will do much better, as has been proven in the case of the *Alliance*. The Engineer-in-Chief is of the opinion that all cruising of vessels so fitted should be done under forced draft, even when only one boiler is used, as the training of firemen is of much more importance than a slight gain in economy. There is not much use in applying forced draft to vessels if the men cannot have enough experience to enable them to work the fires when necessity arises for full speed.

A MODEL STAFF OFFICER.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Admiralty and Horse Guards Gazette*, writing on "The Good Old Days of Soldiering," relates the following:

I remember an occasion when a general officer at the annual inspection, coming upon a latrine, turned suddenly round to the regimental quartermaster, who was behind him and exclaimed, angrily, "This place smells, sir." But when the quartermaster, a staid, matter of fact Scotchman, quietly remarked, "Latrines generally do smell," the knowledge of the fact, although it seemed to come upon the general as a scientific surprise, was accepted without demur, as all scientific facts should be, and the inspecting warrior passed on to find fault with something else. He was not long in doing so, for his organs of smell seemed to be excessively sensitive that morning. "Here's another stink!" he exclaimed, as he halted in a court yard, which was only used as a nocturnal parade ground for the neighboring cats. "Where the devil does this smell come from?" But the quartermaster thus appealed to could give no information, nor could the colonel nor the captains, and no explanation was to be obtained from the vacant gaze of the subalterns who brought up the fall of the procession.

"Well," said the late general, "all I can say is that I never smelt such a stink in all my life. Did I Mr. —?" turning inquiringly to his aide-de-camp. Whereupon that officer promptly but respectfully replied: "You never did sir!"

I looked upon that A. D. C. as a model staff officer, and I thought then if ever I should become a general I should like to have such a one on my "personal staff."

FOREIGN ITEMS.

THE journey of the Czar to Bakou, in Central Asia, has been officially fixed for the end of September. The Shah, on being apprised of the intention, signified to Prince Dolgorouky, the Russian Minister at Teheran, his desire to also visit Bakou about the same time, and seek an interview with the Czar.

THE English articles which discuss Count Von Moltke's resignation read like obituary notices. Nobody questions his right to the title of first soldier of his time. Nobody explains why he resigns just at this moment. One telegram from Berlin read as if younger men were wanted by the Emperor for all the highest places in the army, and Count Von Moltke stood by his friends and resigned when he found they must go. Count Waldersee has long been designated as his successor.

AS AN illustration of the speed at which railway travelling can be effected when the necessity arises, it may be mentioned that an American having missed his train in London, and having to catch an Atlantic steamer at Liverpool, proceeded by the ordinary train to Crewe, where a special engine had been chartered to convey him direct to Liverpool. The distance between Crewe and Liverpool is 36 miles, and one of the large Crewe engines completed the journey in 33 minutes, the American reaching the landing stage at Liverpool 10 minutes before the timed departure of his steamer. The cost for this special service was £11.

TACTICAL operations upon a very extended scale, to include the main features of an active campaign on hostile ground, will be carried out in the country between Metz and Strasburg by the garrisons of the two cities, in the course of the present and following months. The Emperor, William II., intends to be present at the manoeuvres, and will also hold high court at either of the above-named metropolises on the date of the fall of Sedan. To add to the extent and importance of the contemplated movements on the planned range of country, the movements of all the German garrisons and military stations in Alsace Lorraine will be provisionally augmented to an aggregate force of 200,000 men.

A BERLIN correspondent writes: "Sweeping changes in the command of the German Army are impending. Nine more generals, nine lieutenant generals and a number of major generals will retire. General von Schellendorf's successor as Minister of War will not be General von Caprivi, as reported, but General von Hahnke, the present chief of the military cabinet. General von Hahnke is a scientific soldier, an apt writer, a reputed strategist, and a favorite of the Emperor. General von Schellendorf gets the command of the first army corps; General von Pape resigns the command of the Guards. General von Alvensleben succeeding him; General Branchitsch takes von Hahnke's place, and General Vogel von Falkenstein becomes quartermaster-general. Vice Admiral Count von Monts already acts as permanent chief of the Naval Department, General von Caprivi, his predecessor in that office, getting the command of the Thirteenth army corps. The inspection of fortresses will be confided to General von Goetz."

The block in promotion following the abolition of purchase in the British Army, has finally been broken by the rapid retirement of seniors, and promotion has of late years been very active.

Almost all the English torpedo-boats have come to grief in one way or another. Of the six belonging to the Lough Swilly squadron, only one arrived intact. All the others developed some weakness or other, either in the form of leaky steam pipes, burnt boiler tubes, or some other defect in the machinery department.

An Imperial Ukase, published July 13, fixes the contingent of recruits for the Russian Army for the present year at 250,000 men, against 235,000 men called out last year. A decree is also promulgated extending the period of service in the Active Army and the Landwehr, and fixing the aggregate term of service for men drawn by lot at 18 years, five of which are to be served in the Active Army.

An interesting experiment was made at Toulon, with the object of demonstrating the utility of a captive balloon in observing from a considerable height the movements of an enemy's fleet. A naval officer seated in the car of the balloon was in telephonic communication with the frigate *Indomptable*, to the commander of which he signalled, as if in actual warfare, all that he could observe from his elevated position.

The English Secretary of State for War gives a satisfactory assurance to the House of Commons that the scheme for the voluntary registration of horses has succeeded beyond his expectation. Within a few hundred, the number provided for in this year's estimates have already been registered at the fee fixed by the Government, and large numbers of offers are received every week. Most of the registered horses have been inspected.

REINFORCEMENTS from the Prussian provinces will be despatched to the Rhine territory over the recently constructed strategic railway routes already available for army purposes. As a counter movement on the part of the French, orders have been sent to General Bisdorff, in command of the 11th Infantry Division at Nancy, to make a formidable demonstration of his troops as possible on the home side of the territorial limits at the same time. Six regiments of the line and two battalions of light infantry (Chasseurs), besides two Hussar regiments and a few batteries of field artillery, will compose the French force, of the average effective of 600 bayonets to the battalion, and 100 sabres for each squadron.

The following story comes from Shanghai: "A curious looking craft had been seen passing down the river, in the shape of a little stern wheel boat in which the motive power was supplied by a number of coolies working with their feet. The little craft in question was built in a Chinese yard near Tunkadoo, and on a recent occasion an enthusiastic amateur photographer, a foreigner, was seen looking at it, and getting his apparatus into order. Before, however, he could get the focus, he was accosted by the proud and jealous constructor, 'No can make picture this steamer; bye 'm by you go England side make all same.' And to make sure, he then and there warned the foreigner with his camera off the river bank."

It is reported from Suakim that the heat at that place is intense, the thermometer registering 120 degs.

Mexico has decided to increase her army by 30,000 men. Fortunately, Mexico might increase her army to 300,000 men without causing the United States any alarm. We confess, however, to a mild curiosity as to what our neighbor thinks of doing.—S. F. Report.

The proposed Canadian-Pacific cable scheme between Vancouver, Hawaii, the Faanning and Fiji Islands, New Zealand, and Australia is making progress. The total distance to be covered by cable is 6,800 miles, but the longest single stretch of submarine cable is not to be over 2,000 miles.

It is stated that an Italian engineer, Signor Victor Brocca, has just completed the survey of the proposed canal across Italy, the object of which is to save the very long journey round Cape Leuca. This canal would begin on the western side near Castro, on the Tyrrhenian Sea, and reach the eastern coast at Fano, on the Adriatic. Its length would be about 180 miles, and its proposed breadth 110 yards, and its depth 40 ft. For the purposes of the canal it would be necessary to drain the two lakes, Bolsena and Trasimene. The estimated cost of the undertaking is 20 millions sterling.

The naval manœuvres off the ports of Genoa and Spezia this year are full of interest. The object has been to attack the latter port. The principal operations of the hostile fleet against Spezia having been unsuccessful, an unexpected attack was made upon Genoa. This attempt likewise failed, and two torpedo-boats of the enemy have been declared *hors de combat*. The results of the manœuvres have been very satisfactory thus far, as showing the efficiency of the system of naval and coast defence. The *Lepanto*, *Italia*, *Duilio*, *Eina*, *Dandolo*, *Giovanni Bausan*, and many other powerful ships are engaged in the manœuvres.

ACCOUNTS from Zululand indicate the gravity of the situation there. Most of the coast chiefs near St. Lucia are on the warpath, emboldened by the English reverse on June 2 and Ushibepa's defeat. There is a prospect also of a struggle for supremacy between the Dutch and the English races in the Transvaal Republic. President Kruger has irritated the diggers to madness by his recent decree that all business in the exchange and market places shall be carried on in the Dutch language. Meanwhile the Boers are importing arms and ammunition in quantities, and have been ordering Gatling and other repeating weapons from Europe.

THE Russian Government would appear to have decided to push on the Siberian Railway with energy; Mr. Balinsky, the engineer who constructed the bridge over the Oxus, having passed through Tiflis on his way to Siberia to construct by contract 1,000 versts, or nearly 700 miles of permanent way, at a cost of \$2,000 a verst. This seems to indicate that the Government will construct the railway itself, and in the cheap rapid manner that has proved so successful with the Transcasian undertaking. The larger proportion of Siberia consists of flat country, resembling the prairie lands of America, and well adapted therefore for the construction of a cheap line.

On the defences on the Portsmouth, Eng., coast, the 23-ton breech-loading guns are to be substituted for the 12-ton muzzle-loaders, 100 in all. The masonry of the forts, castles and redoubts is to be strengthened so as to bear the increased strain.

GEN. BOULANGER was elected to the Chamber of Deputies in the Department of Somme Aug. 19, by a majority of 31,723. He also heads the polls in the Charente and Nord departments. The announcement of the figures caused great excitement in Paris.

The Canadian papers report that the commission appointed to secure horses for the English cavalry service had a plentiful supply of really good animals, and after a much more careful selection than in previous years they are able to buy more readily than in the past. The farmers are beginning to take a great interest in the enterprise, and the annual visits of the Government agents have led their attention more and more to the "light, useful breed" horses of the kind most suitable to Army purposes.

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THE *Army and Navy Gazette* says that a paper read at Glasgow by Maj. Soliano, on the steam trials of the *Lepanto*, possesses a special interest in reference to the size and type of ship, and the power and type of her engines. The *Lepanto* has a displacement of 13,831 tons, and is fitted with engines of 18,000 indicated horse power; but with a developed power of 16,000 horses, she was driven over 14 knots, or faster than any ironclad afloat. Yet the *Lepanto* by no means represents the latest development of the Italian Navy, as she is more than 10 years old, and during the interval there has been an enormous advance. Had it not been for the rather unfortunate experience of the *Polyphemus*, the association of locomotive with ordinary boilers might have been found in the English service as it is the Italian, especially as it is reputed to be a cheap form of obtaining power. The *Gazette* describes the English naval mobilization which is made the subject of a self-congratulatory memorandum as a fraud from beginning to end. The preparations which had preceded the mobilization were enormous. True, the men had already been on board, and the officers, acquainted beforehand, marched on board their ships and took them to sea; but the mobilization broke down in details which are only generally known to the officers of the ships, and kept quiet by them from *esprit de corps*. Meanwhile they laugh in their sleeves at the people who are taken in.

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(From the Boston Herald.)

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ROCKWELL.—At Washington, D. C., Aug. 21, Captain CHARLES H. ROCKWELL, 5th U. S. Cavalry.

STEVENSON.—In Caroline County, Va., August 15, CARTER L. STEVENSON, formerly Captain 5th U. S. Infantry, aged 71.

TRICHEL.—July 31, at "Casa Junipero," the residence of her brother, Col. Charles Trichel, Governor of the Soldier's Home, South Monica, California, CATHERINE DAVENPORT, daughter of the late Charles and Catharine Davenport Trichel, of Philadelphia.

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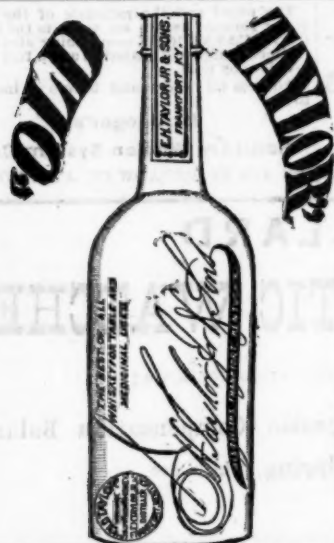
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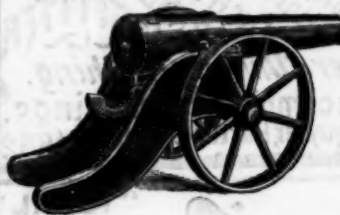
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